

Washington City D. C.
Feb. 8th 1864.

Hon. C. M. Stanton
Secretary of War.

Sir,

Greatly
desiring a release from my long & painful
exile from duty, I respectfully ask that
I be ordered to Texas, Florida or
elsewhere where colored material is
abundant, and that I be authorized to
enlist and organize a colored division,
and be allowed to command the same,

I have the honor to be

Very Respectfully

Your Most Obedt. Serv.

W. A. Miles

Maj. Genl
U. S. A.

Washington Oct 20
1864

John C. Miller
Secretary of War

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During a recent tour my duty required
this from duty. I respectfully call that
I be ordered to leave, the matter of
character the order mentioned is
obvious but that I be authorized to
which was my duty in this instance

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and be allowed to examine the same
I have the honor to be
Very Respectfully
Your obedient servant
John C. Miller

But May. Gen USA

Robert H. Milroy

Mr. Miller
Oct 20