

Navy Department
December 12th 1861

Sir,

The 13th Congressional District of Ohio has a vacancy at the Naval Academy occasioned by the resignation of Acting Midshipman J. C. McIlwain - received and accepted this day.

You are respectfully requested to nominate a candidate for admission at your earliest convenience - your particular attention being called to the clauses in the regulations herein enclosed - respecting the age and residence of the candidate. both of which should

Should be stated with precision -
I am, respectfully
Yours ob^t Serv^t
Gideon Welles

Yours

Samuel J. Worcester

House of Representatives