

Answered
May 27th 62

Phillips, May 26 1862

How I. Washburn

I have just recd a
General Order No 12 from
the Adjutant General which
orders & directs the raising of one
Regt in this State. & many of
my friends have suggested to
me that I give my influence
in helping raise the same,
& as you have given me
encouragement for
a position in some Regts
I thought I would write
you, and ask you what
position you would give
me if I would take an in-
terest in raising the same
& if it is satisfactory to
you that I be promoted so
as to

free me from my obligations
from the 9th Regt to which I
now belong & am obliged
by my furlough to be there
the 20th of June. I would like
to have enlistment papers at once
there are several men here
that are anxious to enlist
& I think I could do something
in favor of the 16 Regt. if your
Hon sees fit to give me a
good position in said regt
I will at once give my
attention to recruiting for
the same if it meets your
approbation for me to do so
I remain your
David Marston

Phillips Co

May 2, 1862.

Marston D.

Asks Position in New Regt,

Dear Martha

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Yours affectionately
David Martin