

Head Quarters 5<sup>th</sup> Regt. M. V. M.  
Medford, Aug. 23<sup>d</sup> 1861.

Sir,

It affords me great pleasure  
to recommend Mr. Horatio Bisbee Jr.  
for an appointment as Second Lieutenant  
in the regular Army -

During his service in  
Washington and vicinity he proved  
true and trusty, studious, prompt  
and always ready - and at the battle  
of Bull Run his courage and gallant  
conduct won the praise of his whole  
Company as well as of myself -

I assure you it would  
please us all to see Mr. Bisbee advanced

for a courageous and well-posted  
Soldier such as he well merits  
promotion -

Most Respectfully -

Your Obedt. Servt -

Samuel C. Lawrence

Colonel 5<sup>th</sup> Regt

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