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## **1862-09-05 Captain Watson requests a transfer to a new regiment**

William H. Watson

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It is not often that I seek to urge my personal claims - but for a long time I have felt as though I should like to be transferred from the Third to some other regiment.

Now that new regiments are being formed and it is recommended that the officers should be taken from the old regiments - I do not consider it out of place for me to urge my claim for promotion -

I have been with the regiment since it was first formed and never left it for any purpose whatever - there has never been an engagement in which the regiment was engaged but I have been with my company and endeavored to do my duty -

I presume my Superior Officers would give me a recommendation were I to ask it! but I consider a word from our worthy

Chaplain Mr Leonard, worth more than all  
they could say, and I refer you to him as  
to my ability and experience -

What I seek is a Majorship in one of the  
new regiments - If such a place is at your  
disposal I should like to be placed on your  
list of anxious ones -

Very Respectfully Yours &c

Wm. Watson Capt Co. "D"

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