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Head Quarters 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade 1<sup>st</sup> Div. 3<sup>rd</sup> Corp<sup>s</sup>

Hear Brandy Station Va December 14. 1863

General

Captain Jacob McClellan - Being about to tender his resignation as Captain in the 2<sup>nd</sup> U.S. Sharp Shooters, on account of disability arising from wounds received in action, thereby rendering him unable for active field-service.

He is desirous of the Buttleship of the Veteran Cavalry (Col. Woodman - comdg.) - Provided the position hasn't been filled - Anything you can do towards securing him the position, will be appreciated by his many friends, in this; and other regiments of the Brigade - with whom he has been associated for a long time who regret losing the services of so valuable an officer - I only consent to the approval of his resignation on account of his being unable to stand the hardships of an active campaign

From Captain McClellan's long association with the army I am confident he would give entire satisfaction as a Buttle -

I am with respect Your obt Servt

Asstens Woodman  
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Elijah Waller  
Colonel 4<sup>th</sup> Maine Comdg. 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade