

Request for Passport

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Charles H. Orrick wanted to travel to Santa Fe to buy and sell goods in Santa Fe in 1845. Because Santa Fe was then part of Mexico, he needed permission to travel there. David McCausland from Lexington, Missouri wrote a letter to Governor John C. Edwards to ask the governor to give Orrick a passport.

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