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[Full-text transcription of: Letter from Lyman Wight, Liberty MO to Governor Boggs, Jefferson City MO]

To L. W Bogs

Jefferson City

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Lyman Wight
Filed this 24th
day of March
1839
J. L Minor

Liberty March 15th 1839
 To your Exelency
L W Bogs Goviner of the State of
Missorie I adress a few lines to
inform you that I have Sent a
petition to the Supreem Judges
Which will show to you the Distresed
Situation of your petitioner and his
helplis family as well I can set it
forth in this letter I there fore
request that you Read the Said Pet
ition wishes that after you have Read
the Said petition and Hear the Evidence
of the Barr of this and other Evidences whi
ch I will produse also youre Excelency
was personly acquainted with me in
Jackson County and with the sufering
of my self and family that I gave up
my arms and left the county [I have
__ upon _] and my family
as you [] in the petition have
been Driven from the State a wife and
Six helplis ["family" crossed out] children in a tent
on the Bank of the Mississippi River
Without food and Rayment and there
Life Depends on my Being a [miditly
Bilund] therefore your petitioner asks
in the name of Humanity Honor Justice

and the cries of infant children that
you Read this and forth with grant

your petitioner a releas from this
Confinement with out anny furthr
trial and send me a reply by the
same By So Doing you may save the
Lives of inosent women and infant chil
-ren Shoud you Do So youre servant
will Be Exeedenly Greatful to youre
Excilency and for this youre Petitioner
earnestly Pray Yours With Respect

Lyman Wight

L W Bogs