

Deputy Supt. Indian Affairs
Fort Smith, Arkansas.

January 15th 1857.

Sir:-

In response to your application for leave of absence to enable you to attend to private business requiring your attention, - which application was made on the 14th of October last, and the period of leave asked for three months. - I have now, on your representation that the business of your Agency is in such a condition as to permit of your absence without injury or detriment to the Public Service and the interests of the Indians committed to your care, to hereby grant you a leave of absence for three months (Superintendants having no power to grant furloughs for a period longer than sixty days) - commencing on the 28th inst., and terminating on the 28th of March next, at which time you will report yourself at your Agency.

Very Respectfully,
C. W. Moore
Supt. re.

George Butler, Esq.
U. S. Indian Agent.
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C. S.