

Monteville Ala April 4. 1876.

Hon John H Caldwell

House of Representatives

Dear Sir.

I find some difficulty in getting a copy of the Opinion in the Hotel suit of Baum & More vs Walker and Chapman, decided in the Supreme Court last November.

I wrote to a gentleman in Washington for a copy of the Opinion soon after it was rendered. He replied that the Deputy Clerk would send me a copy when it was printed. About two days ago I wrote to him again for it. And he replied on March 31. 1876 "I am told to say that there is no opinion - simply an affirmance."

Will you please procure me a copy of the opinion - or of the affirmance - if that is all, and also a copy of Hume's Brief for the defendants in the case.

Your relative and my friend - Capt Branden encourages me to call on you for this favor - by which you will oblige Ben Ruff,

F. P. Ward



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Brief affirmance
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