

Worcester, Ma
Sept 6 1839

Hon A B Moore

Dear Sir for the first time
in life I wish to say something in behalf
of one John Omeal in our State prison
sent there from our County in April
1838 for the crime of petty Larceny & breaking
of a Lock the prosecutor was one Patrick Mc
Murray who testified to the facts his testa-
mony was not impeached therefore the jury
had to convict Omeal it was believed by
nearly all who heard the testimony of McMurray
that he swore false their was much sin
petty Coopers for Omeal at the time but
owing to their both being Irishmen and
Omeal and John Strangell no person was
willing to intercede for him at that time
I was acting as Sheriff at that time of his conviction
my Brother went to Westborough with
Omeal and advised him to be innocent of
breaking the Lock & the Larceny was owing to
McMurray being in jail at to Omeal through
ignorance my Brother thinks Omeal rather
what he did the amount was \$14⁰⁰ when
the amount that McMurray was owing Omeal
was \$35 under this proposal he promised

Petition for

John C. Neal

From Shin County,

not granted

Sep. 26. 1859

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