

Elyton Feby 22/59

Dear Sir

I have already written to you a letter, recommending a commutation of the punishment of George Russell convicted at the last term of the ~~last~~ ^{last} term of the Circ. Court of Blount C.^o for murder & sentenced to be hanged.

That letter I have sent to Col. Pope, the counsel for the defendant, to be forwarded to you in the next time the case should be affirmed by the Supreme Court. In that letter, I have fully stated the facts & circumstances of the homicide, & my reasons for the recommendation I had made. You will no doubt bear me? it in this letter reaches you, & to it I beg leave to refer you, in the event, that the affirmance of the judge, shall make it necessary for you to do so.

His Excellency
Gov. A. B. Moore
Montgomery

Very Respectfully
Wm. J. Mudd