

Saml Russell Esqr  
Present[?]

June 2, 1847

Mr Russle  
Sir

You will examine & furnish me with date [?] upon which you hired Dred to work ↑for↓ you. From whom you hired him whether from Mrs Emerson or any one acting as her agent and to whom you have paid the wages [*illegible*] therefrom.

Yours Respectfully  
J R Lackland

You will please state the same facts in regard to his wife

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[reverse side]

Dred Scott  
vs.  
Irene Emerson  
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Exhibit "A"

Mr. J. R. Lackland  
[*illegible-Sir?*]

I hired Dred & his wife in March 46—from Mrs Emerson I paid the hire of the servants to Mrs Emerson. until after She left for Fort Snelling. During her absence Mr Sandford collected amt of their hires ¥

S Russell

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