

Shawnee Tract Sept 11. 1867

To the Hon<sup>ble</sup>. Taylor Commissioner  
of Ind. Affrs. Washington D. C.

Sir. Not long since  
Mary Theyer a Shawnee Indian  
sold and executed a deed to a white  
man whose name I do not know  
for he deceased brother's land (John  
Kath tho) Not allowing his widow  
any part of the land or of the  
proceeds thereof. Which sale I think  
is contrary to all former rules regulating  
sales of Indian lands. The land referred  
to is John Kath tho's section to wit,

The N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of the S. W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Sec. 9 80 00

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Township 11 S. R. 24 East

If the deed has not been approved  
~~and~~ if the Department has not issued  
any rule or rules disenheriting the  
widows and Orphan of Deceased  
Shawnee men you will please return  
the deed referred to disapproved

Please inform where a copy of  
the rules under which the Shawneese  
are now selling land can be had  
Are they selling under the old rules  
Or has there been new rules issued  
Can they or are they allowed to sell  
by the Department at all Please  
write me at Shawnee Kansas

William Rodgers Sen<sup>r</sup>,

N.B. I am a Shawnee and desire information