

Shawnee No 233  
James C. Wetmore  
Wash, Aug 18. '69

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Cnc, applicant by  
Mary C. Pettyjohn  
in support of her  
case before this Br.  
Recd, with request  
in regard to same

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The time for presenting testimony  
in this case has been extended  
until Mch. 1<sup>st</sup> 1870. or if  
action is taken at an  
earlier date notify Mr.  
Wetmore.

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E 162.

...copying in  
this Office, give dates  
of papers to which they reply: and  
in requesting return of Discharges  
or Papers on settlement of claims,  
to remit the postage.

Office of JAMES

Prosecutor of Claims,

250 F STREET.

Washington, D.C., August 18 1869.

To the  
Hon Commissioner of Indian Affairs,  
Washington D.C.  
Sir.

I have the honor to transmit  
herewith, affidavit of Mary E Pettyjohn,  
in support of her case now before your  
Bureau, and to respectfully ask  
that the case may be reviewed and  
the matter referred to the Indian  
Agent of the District in which the  
claimant resides.

Very respectfully  
Your obt servant.

James L. Peterson  
Atty

State of Missouri }  
County of Andrew } ss

On This 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1869, before me a Clerk of the County Court, in and for said County, personally appeared Mary E. Pettyjohn, widow, and Guardian of the minor heirs of Andrew J. Pettyjohn, deceased, late of Johnson County, State of Kansas, personally known to me, who after being duly sworn according to law, on oath says that the original Deed, Bond and Lease from Nancy McDougal, (Shunnee Indian) to Andrew J. Pettyjohn, for the North East Quarter (1/4) of the South West Quarter (1/4), & Sixty Acres off of North side of the South East Quarter (1/4) of Section Thirteen (13) Township Thirteen (13) Range Twenty Three (23), in Johnson County, Kansas, cannot now be furnished, for the reason that they were either lost or stolen, during the late war, that about the 1<sup>st</sup> of August, 1863, the said Andrew J. Pettyjohn, was robbed and murdered, near ~~Savannah~~ <sup>Savannah</sup> Mo. and that she verily believes the above mentioned papers, were taken from him at the time he was murdered.

and that since that time, she  
 has been unable to ascertain  
 anything about them. That said  
 papers were, on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of  
 January, 1860, recorded in Book "C"  
 in the Recorder's office of Johnson  
 County, Kansas. That the heirs  
 of the said Andrew J. Pettyjohn, have  
 been in possession of the said described  
 lands, since January, 1860, and have  
 put valuable improvements thereon.  
 And further affiant saith not.

..... Harry, & Pettyjohn - - - - -

-- Perry Bais ... } Attest  
 -- Wm Bais -- }

Widow's Executrix of the Minor heirs of  
 Andrew J. Pettyjohn, deceased

Sworn and subscribed to before me this  
 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1869.

Abram Dobb's clerk  
 County Court

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