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Mr. A. D. Roth
Las Vegas, N. M.
March 18, 69

Asks that nothing
be done in the way
of approving of deed,
from his former
wife, from whom he
was divorced (Chau-
nee Spelman) and
that he be informed
in relation to the case

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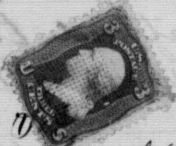
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To The Honorable Commissioner
of Indian Affairs
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Dr. W.

I hope you will excuse this letter and give me
some information in regard to my case. it is
this I married to a half breed Shosone Indian
and was adopted by their Councilors and chiefs as one
of their People and drew annuity and land which
Land was Patented to me by the Government when
the Land was Patented to the Shosone Indians
Since that time my wife through the Persuasion
of her connections sued for a divorce which we
both obtained but as I was not present at the
time of the trial the Land was left in her
care as she had the Patent in her ^{possession} ~~possession~~ ^{against my will}.

The trial was not before the Indian Council
it was before a regular County Court held
at Platte Kans after she obtained her divorce
she married a man by the name of Adams
who persuaded her to sell the Land which I
understand did but failed to be able to make
a warranty deed as the Patent was in my
name They tell me the Patent is lost
and now I would like to know what

what I am to do I have had others doing
for me And they have done nothing The
Land was Patented to me and I have
not signed my right to it to any one
and do not intend to unless I get Paid
for the land though the Patent be kept from
me

Hoping you will do me the favor to
look to my case and tell me what I can
do to get my Property but do not let any
deed be made of it to any one without signed
by my own hand and no other way.

Hoping you will answer my letter immediately
and give me the information necessary to procure my
Land I Sign myself

Yours Truly

William H. Booth