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Mr President

The enclosed papers, recommending Hon James Simpson of Winchester, Ky: for appointment as U S District Judge of Ky: in the event of a vacancy occurring there, have been forwarded to me with a request that I would lay them before your Excellency, and add my testimony to the worth and ability of Judge Simpson, which I most cheerfully do.

I have known him intimately for a great many years, and have no hesitation in saying that I have never known a more honorable, upright and conscientious man than he is, and I have always regarded him as fully entitled to the reputation which he bears as one of the ablest and most learned jurists

of our Country.

This loyalty is above suspicion,  
and I entertain no doubt that  
his appointment would give  
more general satisfaction than  
that of any other man.

One of the letters enclosed is  
from Hon. Garrett Davis, another  
from Hon. James Speck, and the  
other from the Union members of  
the Kentucky Legislature.

Most truly yours

J. H. Brown