



## Lilburn W. Boggs Petitions (C1764)

**Collection Number:** C1764

**Collection Title:** Lilburn W. Boggs Petitions

**Dates:** 1837-1839

**Creator:** Boggs, Lilburn W., 1796-1860

**Abstract:** Petitions and correspondence requesting the release from prison of William Hildebrand, Jefferson County; the pardon of Mat, an enslaved man belonging to Thomas Latimer, St. Louis County; the pardon of Alfred Hawkins, Carroll County; and the pardon of Frances Dillon, St. Louis County. All were granted by Governor Boggs.

**Collection Size:** 0.02 cubic feet  
(1 folder)

**Language:** Collection materials are in English.

**Repository:** The State Historical Society of Missouri

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[Lilburn W. Boggs Invitation, \(C1756\)](#)

[Lilburn W. Boggs Letter, \(C1465\)](#)

[Lilburn W. Boggs Papers, \(C1753\)](#)

[Lilburn W. Boggs Proclamation, \(C2403\)](#)

**Alternate Forms Available:** The document regarding the pardon of Mat, an enslaved man, is available online in the Missouri Slavery Documents digital collection:

<https://digital.shsmo.org/digital/collection/p17228coll1/id/908/rec/1>.

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### Historical Note:

Lilburn W. Boggs was born in Lexington, Kentucky on December 14, 1796. When he was 18 he moved to St. Louis, Missouri and became a cashier at one of the first banks in the city. He married Julia Ann Bent, who was from a prominent pioneer family of St. Louis. They had two children, Angus and Henry, before she died. He then married Panthea Grant Boone, who was a granddaughter of Daniel Boone. They had ten children.

He moved to Jackson County, Missouri, and engaged in the Santa Fe Trade. He then got involved in politics and was elected Lieutenant Governor, and then Governor in 1836. He served as governor of Missouri from 1836-1840. During his time as governor, he granted petitions for the release or pardon of prisoners William Hildebrand, Mat, a slave belonging to Thomas Latimer, Alfred Hawkins, and Frances Dillon.

In 1846 he moved his family to California. He died in Napa Valley, California on March 4, 1860.

### Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged chronologically.

### Scope and Content Note:

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