

Post Office Corning, Steuben Co., N.Y. York
April 16th 1855-

Dear Sir,

Will you have the kindness to inform me, if a person engaged as Post Master, Deputy P. Master or in any other capacity, whereby he is exempt, by "Law of the United States" from performing Militia Duty is induced while so engaged to become a member of a Volunteer Militia Company, if he equally bonds, with members not so exempt, to serve in said Company and to pay the fines & imposed upon him for nonattendance to Militia duty when such attendance would interfere with the performance of his duties as an attachee of the Post Office Department, and in case such Company is called into service or is ordered to rendezvous, at some place, other than where it was organized, would not such person be exempt from attending and doing service in said Company? By giving the above your attention and favoring, at your convenience, with a reply, that you will greatly oblige your obt. Servant

John L. Wheat

John S. Wheat.
Corry N. Y.
Apr 16th 1855.

Asks opinion of Atty Genl
as to question of land.

Replied to pro forma,
Apr 18th 1855. Atty Genl
Can give no opinion.
Statement of his duties
enclosed.
