

April 14, 1920.

Mrs. Sarah C. Wilkin,
325 E. 18th Ave.,
Denver, Colo.

My Dear Mrs. Wilkin:-

On the 26th of December last Mr. Willmarth, in writing me respecting a matter I had in Court at Fairplay, asked if I would like to have the files in Judge Wilkin's office. I answered him on the following day saying that if such disposition of the files of cases, briefs and like papers was the desire of yourself and children, I should be pleased and much gratified in accepting them. Of course, I had never had a word with him about the subject. It is true that when I was in Fairplay last fall I requested him to permit me to go into the Judge's office and place upon the floor certain Government Department books sent to me several years ago by Congressman Bonyng, so that Mr. Willmarth might store these books elsewhere for me when other parties should take possession of the office. I had no word from Mr. Willmarth on the subject until March 26, when he advised me by letter that it was his understanding that you wished me to have the office files, briefs, etc. and that he had removed them to another building. I then wrote him that I would be in Fairplay at the District Court Term in May and would box these files, briefs and papers for shipment to Greeley.

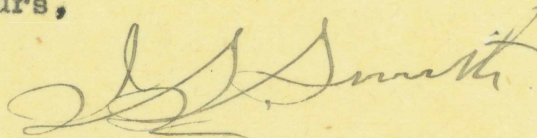
I sincerely hope that I have not assumed too much or taken too much for granted. The briefs, files and papers represent years of hard work of Judge Wilkin and his uniformly correct conclusions, on many and varied legal questions, in the solution of which he unceasingly labored. If these papers are for me, I thank you for them again and again, and sincerely. They will be to me what the writer of them was for many well remembered years, an in-

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spiration for honest work and faithful service.

With kind regards and best wishes from each of us to you and each member of your family, I am, believe me, with great respect,

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. J. Smith". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed closing.

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