
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office Indian Affairs, September 4, 1852.

SIR: I enclose herewith, for transmission to them, the commissions of Samuel Shelden and Benjamin D. Wilson, recently appointed agents for Indians in California—the former in place of Pearson B. Reading, who declines, and the latter in place of O. M. Wozencraft, removed.

I enclose, also, forms of bonds, which you will direct the parties to execute, respectively, in the penal sum of \$5,000 each, with two or more securities, whose sufficiency must be attested by a United States judge or district attorney. When executed, they will place them in your hands for approval and transmission to this office.

You are directed to give them the necessary instructions for the discharge of the duties of their agencies, and assign agent Shelden to the northern, and agent Wilson to the southern district of the State.

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Should they accept the appointments, their salaries will commence, respectively, on the day of the date of their oaths of office and the execution of their bonds.

On the receipt of this letter, you will inform O. M. Wozencraft that his connexion with this department has terminated, and direct him to turn over to you any public property in his possession.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

L. LEA, *Commissioner.*

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