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ALS: G. C. Sibley, Fort Osage

To. A. Leonard, Liberty

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Ft. Osage July 5th 1823

D.Sir,

A suit has been entered against me in Lillard Circuit Ct. at the instance of Robert Wash by Tompkins and French, his agents. And it will be necessary for me to make answer to it at the approaching court. I am therefore to request you to attend to it for me; shd. The suit not have been withdrawn, as I have some expectation that it may be. You will perceive at once that this suit involves some forth of a private domestic & delicate nature. The objection I have to pay over the Money to Mr. Wash is chiefly because I consider myself inly bound to pay it to Mr. Easton. The writing upon which Mr. Wash claims was drawn by myself and was so worded (as I believed and advised) as to preclude the payt. To any other person than Mr. Easton, and I am still of opinion that I ought not to pay it to any other person. Should the suit not be withdrawn; you may just enter what plea you think proper; it will be a mere matter of dorm, for it is certain that the merits will never be tried in court. It is more than probable that the affair will be amicably settled between Mr. Wash and myself before the next November term.

I am yrs. Truly,

G. C. Sibley

A: Leonard Esqr.

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I annex an order \$200 on __ in your fee? Which sum I judge (from Mr. S's Letter) will be sufficient to pay off those suits (after the deduction from Mr. Reuick's the \$22.74 chgd. In my Acct.) If it should fall short a few dollars, be good enough to supply it and the amt. together with your fees, I will have the pleasure to pay you here; for I count most cities [page missing] on your favoring us with a call as you go to Lexington [page missing] with Judge Todd and Such others of our friends as will d[page missing] __uown to call. Rothwell has an excellent [page missing]