

Camp Williams, La.
August, 30th. 1862.

William C. Holbrook
Major Commanding
7th Regiment - Vermont
Volunteers.

Asks for a Court of In-
quiry to investigate into
the part taken by the
7th Regiment at the
Battle of Baton Rouge.

Head qrs 5th Brigade
Dept of the Gulf.
Camp Williams, La.
Sept. 2^d. 1862.

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(Signed) A. A. M. Dudley
Acting Brig. Genl.

Camp Parapet, La.
Sept 2nd 1862.

It is much to be re-
gretted that a Regiment
in this quarter should
be compelled to defend
itself against unmerited
dishonor from its Com-
manding General as
well as against the
enemy and extraordi-
nary exposure and
disease; but I concur
with Major Holbrook
in the necessity of an
investigation into the
facts connected with
the Battle of Baton Rouge,
by a Court of Inquiry, with
the view of doing justice
to the Seventh Vermont
Volunteers and to the
service.

(Signed,) J. W. Phelps
Brig'r. Genl.