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June 20th 1887J. V. Summers
U.S. Indian AgentReporting the action
of the main Council
in regard to
the guardianship
of Es the Miller

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June 20th, 1887

Hon John D. C. Atkins
Commissioner of Indian Affs.
Washington
D.C.

Sir:

Referring to your letter #
9196-9559-10785-11856-12953-13999
and 14038" under date of June 4th 1887,
I have the honor to report that at a
general Council of the Western
Miami Tribe of Indians held June
10th 1887, at Miami School House - that
I was present and fully explained
the matter of appointment of Mrs.
Susan Benjamin as Guardian
of Miss Esther Miller, a member of
said Tribe of Indians, and re-
quested that the Chiefs and Council
should appoint a fit person

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to act as guardian for Miss Miller
They did so by reappointing Mrs.
Benjamin. To accept this appoint-
ment she declined, stating that
she wished to have nothing fur-
ther to do with the matter. The
Chief and Council took no furth-
er action, merely stating to me
that the proper thing to do would
be to return her annuity money to
the U.S. Treasury.

It seems to be a clear case of con-
trariness as between the two par-
ties.

I have returned Mrs. Benjamin
in her Bond, releasing her from
further obligation in the matter.

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant

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J. H. Sumner
U.S. Indian Agent.