

Engelhard, Hyde Co. N.C.
Sept 4, 1893.

To his Excellency Elias Carr
Governor of North Carolina }
Sir,

The office of Chief Oyster Com-
missioner will soon be vacant, and I respectfully
ask for the position, and if you should appoint
me to the office I will endeavor to discharge
the duties of the position fairly and impartially.

I have some business experience. I was formerly
Sheriff of this County - afterwards represented ^{it} for
two terms in the Legislature and am now Chairman
of the Board of Co Commissioners.

I am familiar with the Oyster interest, having
given the business considerable study, and think I
can give satisfaction if appointed.

I enclose a petition in my behalf from the
Democratic Executive Committee of this County,
Trusting that you can see your way clear to give me
this appointment I am very respectfully,
Israel. B. Nelson



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J. B. Decker,
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