



Post Office Department,

OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT P. M. GENERAL,

Washington, D. C., 9/20, 1889.

Sir: Before the Postmaster General decides upon the application for the establishment of a post office at Elsmere, County of El Paso,

State of Colo., it will be necessary for you to carefully answer the subjoined questions, get a neighboring postmaster to certify to the correctness of the answers, and return the location paper to the Department addressed to me. If the site selected for the proposed office should not be on any mail route now under contract, only a "Special Office" can be established there, to be supplied with mail from some convenient point on the nearest mail route by a special carrier, for which service a sum equal to two-thirds of the amount of the salary of the postmaster at such office will be paid by the Department.

You should inform the contractor, or person performing service for him, of this application, and require him to execute the inclosed certificate as to the practicability of supplying the proposed office with mail, and return the same to the Department.

Very respectfully,

J. S. Clarkson
First Ass't Postmaster General.

To Mrs. Mary Taggart
care of the Postmaster of Edo Spgs.

STATEMENT.

The proposed office to be called Elsmere

Select a short name for the proposed office, which, when written, will not resemble the name of any other post office in the State.

It will be situated in the NW quarter of Section 6, Township 14 S. (North or South), S. Range 6 S. (East or West), W. in the County of El Paso

State of Colorado

It will be on ~~the~~ route No. 340 50, being the route from Colorado Springs to Phillipsburgh New

Will it be directly on this route?—Ans. Yes

If not, how far from it?—Ans. _____

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, on one side, is Abell
its distance is 6 miles in a West direction from the proposed office

The name of the nearest office, on the other side, is Falcon; its distance is 9 1/2 miles in a North East direction from the proposed office.

The name of the other nearest office to the proposed one is Colorado Springs Colo.
its distance is seven miles in a straight direction from the proposed office.

The name of the most prominent river near it is Monument Creek

The name of the nearest railroad is Chicago Rock Island & Pacific

If on or near a railroad, how far from the station will the proposed office be located?—Ans. _____

In the Depot

State name of station: Elsmere

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—Ans. No Village

Also, the population to be supplied by the proposed office.—Ans. About 50

A diagram, or sketch from a map, showing the position of the proposed office, must be drawn on the other side.

ALL WHICH I CERTIFY to be correct and true, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, this 11th day of Oct, 1889.

(See Sign full name.)

Mary Taggart, Proposed P. M.

I CERTIFY that I have examined the foregoing statement, and that it is correct and true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Postmaster at Colorado Springs

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Be careful to answer the inquiries fully and accurately, or the case will not be acted upon.

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