

**DOCUMENT 12 – CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION OF LINCOLN’S  
ELECTION TO THE ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**August 28, 1838**

**TRANSCRIPTION**

State of Illinois }  
Sangamon County } ss

I Charles R Matheny clerk of the County  
Commissioners Court in and for Said County do hereby certify that  
Abraham Lincoln was duly Elected Representative to the  
General assembly of the State of Illinois from the County of  
Sangamon at the general Election in August AD 1838  
as appears from the Returns filed in My Office

Given under my hand and Seal of Office  
at Springfield in Said County this 28<sup>th</sup>  
day of August In the year of our Lord  
One thousand Eighth hunard & thirty Eight  
C. R. Matheny Clk CCCrt