MUSEUM DIVISION, MDAH

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1962.191.1

CATEGORY: COMMUNICATION ARTIFACTS SOURCE: Nellie M. LeMond & Family

CLASS-CEREMONIAL ARTIFACTS --ACQUISITION METHOD: Donation ORGANIZATIONAL OBJECTS SUBCLASS:

ACQUISITION DATE: 10/22/1957

OBJECT **FLAG** ADDED BY:

RTM TERM:

2/20/2001 DATE ADDED: Confederate: 19th Mississippi SUBITEM:

MATERIAL: **TEXTILE --SILK** Infantry, Company B, Mott Rifles

ARTIST/MAKER:

PLACE MADE:

Rectangle shaped silk flag with 23 light blue and white stripes each measuring 2 1/8" **DESCRIPTION:**

> wide (5.40 cm). There is a pink stripe around entire flag that measures 2 1/4" wide (5.72 cm). Canton is light blue with one large 5-pointed star (6 1/2", 16.51 cm) and seven other 5-pointed stars (3 1/4", 8.26 cm) curved over large center star with "MISSISSIPPI." at bottom. Beneath the canton is "MOTT RIFLES.". All lettering and stars are embroidered onto the flag. There is red velvet fringe on the fly of the flag. There is a white rope on the hoist that runs the entire length of the flag with tassels at

each end.

PLACE USED:

IMPORTANT DATES: Circa 1861-1865 Date Made

1861-1865 __Civil War

CULTURAL AFFILIATION:

NOTES: William LeMond of Daleville, Indiana, who served in Co. E, 8th Indiana Infantry, found the

> flag on a rail fence after a battle. His daughter-in-law Mrs. Nelson M. LeMond of Anderson, IN returned it to MDAH. The 19th Mississippi Infantry was organized in May 1861 in Oxford and was comprised of men from Warren, Jefferson, Greene, Panola, and Marshall counties. They fought in the Army of Northern Virginia. Field Officer Christopher Mott was killed in

battle in Williamsburg, VA on May 5, 1862.

Ryan Meyer, former collections manager, questions authenticity from oriental appearance of tassels and fringe, frequent pencil marks around the lettering, and the 23 bars. Ken Legendre, flag expert, feels that flag is authentic and that tassels and fringe were added at

a later date.

DIMENSIONS: [H]54" [W] [D] [Diam] [L]107"

CONDITION: **FAIR**

CONDITION DESCRIPTION: Tears: Moderate, along border; Stains: Moderate, throughout; Fraying:

Moderate, canton, around holes; Holes: Moderate, several small holes

throughout flag.

LOCATION: 2MM Complex __B2 Storage __Flat File 6, Drawer 21

START DATE: 9/18/2017

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