On September 20, 1882, West Virginia University president William Lyne Wilson was nominated as the Democratic candidate for the United States House of Representatives from the Second District.

**Investigate the Document: (Ms80-146)**

1. Based on the letter written by William Lyne Wilson, can you conclude what branch of government to which he was elected?

2. A cadetship at what United States military academy is cited in Wilson’s letter?

**Think Critically:** Can you name your current representative in the United States House of Representatives? What are some of the duties of a representative? How long is their term in office?
Prof. W. M. Forbush.

Pendleton W. O.

I leave this note to thank you for your service in the conduct of the recent competitive examination for the U.S. Military Academy. I feel that the success of the exam was, in no small measure, due to you, and am the more sensible of this because of the very short time you had to arrange and prepare for it.

Very truly yours,

W. L. Wilson.