

Stone's friends that my company, the day we were engaged on Long Island, behaved very ill. I gave him by the earliest opportunity as true a state of the whole affair as I could recollect, which he informs me he shewed to M<sup>r</sup> Chamberlaine, and which I believe the officers under me can aver to the truth of, as can the officers under Cap<sup>t</sup> Stone. I cannot judge him guilty of writing any thing of the kind, have not had an opportunity of seeing him since I received my brother's letter, being gone to the Country very sick. such aspersions are base and ungenerous, and not giving men a fair chance of vindicating themselves. I have had the vanity to think the company I have had the honor to command have behaved themselves as well as in the service, notwithstanding the dark insinuations that have been thrown out to their prejudice, and will refer to Col Smallwood for their behaviour and conduct since they have been under his command. I lost only three men on Long Island. My company wants but few men to compleat it; they have been and still are very sickly, as are all our troops.

I am your much obliged Hble Serv<sup>t</sup>  
James Hindman.

Original.

[Hall to Jenifer.]

Sir. Agreeable to the resolve of Convention of the 10<sup>th</sup> September last to select a company of volunteers out of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Battalion in Harford County, I now make a return of the officers names which are appointed to that company and I am of opinion a compleater company has not gone from Maryland, the officers are first, Francis Holland Captain, John Carlile first Lieutenant, William Young 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieu<sup>t</sup> and Robert Morgan Ensign. If their commissions are sent to me shall take care to have them delivered with dispatch. I have advanced to M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Rae £3. 10. 4 for his expences and trouble in goeing to Annapolis for the money for the Company as pr the account I inclosed and beg the favour of your sending the money by the first safe hand as cash is very scarce with me.

I am Sir your most obed<sup>t</sup> & Humble Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Octob 13<sup>th</sup> 1776. Aquila Hall.

Original.

[Bond to Council.]

Baltimore Sunday Morning Octob 13<sup>th</sup> 1776.  
Gentlemen. Captain Norwood being out of town, I take the liberty of answering your letter. I have 18 men in the barracks in Baltimore, which has recd their bounty and some of them a month's advance, and I believe the 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut has 9