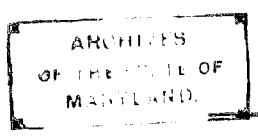


Sir

It is necessary, in the present Situation of Affairs, that the Militia should be to act, temporarily, as Quarter Master Genl for the Militia to the collection of
No. 509. We wish to have the Business conducted in the best Manner and as soon as possible
would be done so, if you would undertake it. On this Occasion, we request you to
this is to empower you to do so. Apply the Money belonging to the Public which you
have received, or if not received, may receive it; if more should be necessary, we will
supply it
We are &c.

James Calhoun Esq.



In Council Annapolis 29th May 1779

Sir

The above is a copy of a Permission granted to Mr Chamier for the bringing by Water
her Household Furniture and Wearing Apparel under the Security of an Inventory & Oath, pro-
vided General Washington should approve. You are mentioned to us as a proper Genl
to receive the Goods which, in case they come, we empower you to do, with the Consent of
510. the Government of Virginia. We should imagine it proper that some Officer should com-
pare the Marks and Numbers of the Packages of the Wearing Apparel and the Particu-
lars of the Household Furniture with the Invoice, to prevent any Goods being brought
in, not licensed, or any Suspicion of it
We are &c.

Col: Selden at
Hampton - }

In Council Annapolis 31st May 1779

Sir

We think it will be the best Way to send the Recruits forward through this Place, from
whence they may go by Water to the Head of Elk. If the Enemy should visit us, some
of our old Regular Troops would be very desirable, the new raised Recruits would be much
511. the same as Militia; of the latter we may have more than we have Arms for. We have
ordered 10 Coats, 10 1/2th Overalls & 10 1/2th Shoes; we have not Shirts nor can we spare Hats
We have drawn £ 250. to be placed in Mr Turner's Hands to purchase Provisions for
the Recruits, if he does not incline to accept it, we shall be obliged to you to appoint
some body else.
We are &c.

Col: John H. Stone.

In Council 31st May 1779

Sir

We have had the Park, brought over by the Genl Smallwood, overhauled from the Account
we have of it, we hope there will be but very little Loss. Our Boats are now very much
512. employed; if you have any Opportunity, we shall be obliged to you to send us what remains
with you. A Part of your ill Success, we believe, may be attributed to the unfavourable
Weather
We are &c.

Col: Wm Richardson.

In Council Annapolis 31st May 1779

Sir

It is very difficult to get you anything from hence for want of carriage. We enclose you
an Order on Col: Barnes for 100^{lbs} of Powder which you'll make use of if you should
want, he has more than he'll have Occasion for. If the Enemy should come up
513. the Bay, we imagine Baltimore & this Place will most likely be visited by them, we
have applied what Arms we had, by much too few, with that we have we have to be
able to strengthen you a little soon in Musquets.
We are &c.

Col: Francis Ware

P.S. We send you 500 Gun Flints.