

Feb 28 1823

Sir

A communication from you recommending Thomas Bailey as Lieut Colonel of the 25 Regiment to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of James Walter Esquire and requesting that a Commission might issue for Mr. George Dashiell or Levin Ballard Junior whichever might appear to be the oldest on the Records of this Department has been received by the Executive. By a reference to the Records of this Department it appears that George Dashiell and George A. Dashiell hold Commissions of Captains in the 25 Regt the first appointed Nov^r 15, 1809 the latter Dec^r 19, 1816 and Levin Ballard Junior June 1, 1818 George Dashiell is of course entitled to the Commission by grade provided George Dashiell and George A Dashiell are different persons. On your replying to this letter I am authorized to send you a Commission for the person entitled to it. Mr Bailey's will be sent at the same time.

To Gen Thomas Humphries
Salisbury - Somerset County -

Yours Respectfully
Ninian Pinkney

