

Letter Bk. I. which it has been usual for or incumbent on Governors to appoint, rather than His Ldp should entertain the least Suspicion of my having ever had any thing in view in such Appointment besides His Ldp's pleasure & Interest. With truth can I assure you that I have very rarely consulted my own Inclinations in my Appointment of any Officers in the Governm^t & I am apt to beleive that not more than three or four do really think themselves obliged to me for their Preferment, while by my Inability to provide for many who have endeavoured to recommend themselves to my favourable Notice I doubt not but I have made many Enemies & inclined some of them to entertain no very great Opinion of my Power. such would be the Sentiments no doubt of M^r Jones was His Ldp to grant his Request, & I am inclined to think M^r Darnall would be much of the same Opinion should His Ldp gratify his hopes & Expectations. I have taken the Liberty to write
 p. 216 to His Ldp pretty fully concerning M^r Jones & flatter myself His Ldp will not lessen my Influence so much as would certainly be done by conferring Favours on any one who has rendered himself justly obnoxious to the Government. Colo Lloyds Observation "that unless he has the Recommendation of all Officers with whom he must be concerned Gentlemen opposite to him in Sentiments may happen to be appointed" is no doubt very just but I hope he would not insinuate that there is a probability of my appointing any person to an Office for which he is unfit or against whom any Objection can be made. I am sure he has not hitherto had the least Reason to be dissatisfied with any of my Appointments neither shall he ever have room to except agst any. I have always paid the greatest Regard to his Recommendations, in one Instance only have I made any Objection to them & that was to one who was represented to be in very low Circumstances & for whom Colo Lloyd himself declined giving Security. You tell me his present Drift is to get M^r Cha. Goldsborough into place, I cannot guess what he would have done for him neither did I ever learn till now that he would desire more for him than a Seat at the Council. Upon the Strength of what you write concerning M^r Dulany I have ventured to address His Ldp in his behalf & hope a favourable Answer. I will send or deliver your Letter to M^r Dulany immediately on my Return & hope t'will give him Satisfaction tho I am not without some Apprehensions that from Your telling him "the only Way for him to obtain favour of my Lord is to address me" he might be apt to suspect I have espoused his Interest less warmly than I really have. I hope M^r Young will not be set in Competition with him, I am confident that would never happen were the Gentlemen's Characters as well known to