

c. s. c. We have the strongest assurances that the Governor will leave the Province with the most friendly regard for its inhabitants, and will do everything in his power that may contribute towards promoting a reconciliation between the Mother Country and her colonies.

3<sup>rd</sup> June 1776

Original.

[Ringgold to Council.]

Annapolis June 3<sup>d</sup> 1776.

Gent<sup>n</sup> Having had the Honour of being appointed second Lieu<sup>t</sup> to the light Infantry of regular Troops raised for the Defence of this Province under the Command of Cap<sup>t</sup> Stricker, and not thinking myself contented in that Department, have inclosed you my Commission with my resignation: from Gent<sup>n</sup>  
Your most ob<sup>t</sup> humb<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup> Ja<sup>s</sup> Ringgold.

Original.

[Samuel Beall to Council.]

Hon<sup>ble</sup> Gentlemen. As two surplus companies of Militia in this district, which will appear by the enrolments laid before us and send herewith, we take the liberty to recommend to your consideration the officers therein particularized, in whom, we do conclude, may be placed special trust and confidence, and hope as such, they will meet with your approbation, and that commissions with your earliest convenience will be made out, and sent to them, with the utmost diference, in behalf of the Committee of the upper district of Fred<sup>k</sup> County.

I am Gentl. Y<sup>r</sup> most obedient & Hum<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

Sam<sup>l</sup> Beall Jun<sup>r</sup> chairman

c. s. j.

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 1776.

Met according to Adjournment. Present the same Members as on yesterday. M<sup>r</sup> Hall and M<sup>r</sup> Tilghman attended.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Eastern Shore pay to M<sup>r</sup> Robert Lloyd Nicols Paymaster of the Regular Troops for the Eastern Shore Department, two thousand Pounds common money.

Copy of Letter N<sup>o</sup> 11 was sent to William Hindman Esq. Treasurer of the Eastern Shore.

The Council contract with Mess<sup>rs</sup> Samuel Galloway and Stephen Steward for the Building of five Gondolas for the Defence of this Province, and agree to pay M<sup>r</sup> Steward's Expences to Philadelphia for the Purpose of viewing those