

c. c. respecting him are inclosed, Calliloe & Doct^r Cheney, the Evidence respecting the two last are, we believe, amongst the Papers in M^r Martin's Hands, the others of them have been discharged from Custody either on giving Bonds or without, according to the Circumstances. A list of such Persons as had been discharged from Confinement before the Papers were sent to M^r Wright, were, we believe, sent with them. The Treasury is in such a situation at present, that we cannot, as we wish, send the Money to Col^o Birkhead. His Expences and any other incurred, under your Orders, shall be reimbursed and we hope we shall be able very soon to do it. We shall send over Wright, Calliloe & Doct^r Cheney.

We are Gen^t &^{ca}

To John Goldsborough, John Bracco
Henry Banning, Jos^h Bewley & Tho^s Harrison Esq^{rs} }
Judges of the Special Court in Talbot County }

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[Council to E. Forman.]

In Council 16th March 1778.

Sir.

Cap^t John Hawkins has applied to us for Cloathing for some Recruits. We have cloathed such as have been convenient to make Application here in Baltimore & in Frederick, and request you will deliver to each Recruit, on Cap^t Hawkins or any of the Regular Officers Application a Coat, Jacket, Pair of Breeches, Hat, one Pair of Shoes and two Pair of Stockings, taking the Officers Receipt, that we may have them charged to the Continent. We would not have you keep any considerable Quantity of Cloathing back from Gen^l Smallwood, as we hope to get Cloathing made as fast as the Recruits will want.

We are Sir &^{ca}

Ezekiel Forman Esq^r

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[Council to G. Dashiell.]

In Council Annapolis 16th March 1778.

Sir

We are sorry to find, by yours of the 12th that, as you suspected, you are obliged to call on the Militia again. Your Letter will be laid before the Assembly immediately on its sitting which we expect will be in the Morning and we hope effectual Measures will be taken to root out the Deserters and their Connexions. We think with you it will answer no good Purpose to put Arms into the Hands of many of your People