

- c. c. think it advisable for you to appoint a careful, diligent, accurate Person to deliver out and receive in the Arms &<sup>ca</sup> and keep an exact Acc<sup>t</sup> of his Transactions. We are &c.

Col<sup>o</sup> Cha<sup>s</sup> Rumsey.

\* Mem<sup>o</sup> Only 500 Stand of Arms sent }  
from Baltimore }

[Council to Smallwood.]

In Council Annapolis 21<sup>st</sup> May 1778

Sir

We inclose you two Letters received from Col<sup>o</sup> Barnes respecting the Conduct of Lieu<sup>t</sup> Menger. We have not gone into an Examination of the Facts alledged by Col<sup>o</sup> Barnes, as we should not, on the Proof of them have undertaken to dismiss him from the Service, but Cap<sup>t</sup> Fenwick, who is referred to, in his State, confirmed what is said in the Letters. We are much inclined to forward the Business of the Officers and treat them as Gentlemen but are fully in Col<sup>o</sup> Barnes's Sentiment, that M<sup>r</sup> Menger's Conduct deserves Reprehension  
Gen<sup>l</sup> Smallwood We are &<sup>ca</sup>

[Council to W. Haslet.]

In Council Annapolis 21<sup>st</sup> May 1778.

Sir.

p. 163 James Robinson, who was by you adjudged a Vagrant, under the late Act, has put in a Remonstrance and Complaint against your Adjudication. From the Papers laid before us, we should have been inclined to set Robinson at Liberty, but for the Suggestion, in your Certificate, that it was offered to be proved on Oath that the Indenture to M<sup>r</sup> Keene was entered into to screen Robinson. You properly judged that the Matter turned on that Fact and, if there's any Proof of it, we are desirous of having a Deposition made of it and transmitted to us. In the mean Time we desire that Robinson may not be sent away, but have an Opportunity of examining the Witnessor Witnesses who may be sworn to prove the Indentures being entered into for the Purpose before mentioned and on his giving Security to appear here, that he may be at Liberty to prosecute his Appeal. We are &<sup>ca</sup>

Col<sup>o</sup> William Haslet }  
Caroline County. }

c. B.

Friday 22<sup>d</sup> May 1778

Present as on yesterday

Ordered That the western shore Treasurer pay to James