

Original. with him for that sum and I have understood that Garretson performed the Service much to Col<sup>o</sup> Lux's satisfaction who commanded the Battalion which marched from Baltimore County.

William Moore I have been informed appealed and was discharged by the Court, wherefore John Botts received though he well deserved and much wants his Substitute Money.

Capt. Wilkinson has been distrained for the £150 and has also appealed, the appeal as Capt Garretson informs me is not yet determined. I flatter myself that the circumstances of these cases will sufficiently recommend them and that as the Public receives a considerable Ballance for Substitute Money the real services of these Men will not go unrewarded

12 Novem<sup>r</sup> 1778

Th. Johnson

[Indorsed] Read and referred to the Consideration of Mr. Buff, Mr. Maddux, and Mr. Hanson who are appointed a Com. to inquire into the same & Report their opinion thereon.

[Garretson to Johnson.]

11<sup>th</sup> November 1778

Sir

Last year when the Fleet came up I received orders to March my Company to Baltimore immediately which I did, and all the other officers of Colonell Luxe's Regiment did so likewise; and we were then threw into Eight classes and as several of the Commissions issued in one day it was hard to know the rank of the different companies. The Colonel then applied to the Council for their instructions how to proceed, and as he informed me and the Rest of his Officers they thought it best for the whole of them to draw for their Rank, which the Captains readily agreed. It was done, and it fell to Captain John Standiford to go in the first class, and Captain William Wilkinson to go in the second, who in a day or two refused to go at any rate; immediately the Officers and Men that fell into that Rank refused to March with any of the other officers in the Battallion unless I would go with them; the Colonel then applied to me to take charge of the Company, and as I thought it would not do to let the Countries Cause suffer if I could be of service, I agreed to go if Mr. William Wilkinson would give me one hundred and Fifty Pounds. The Colonel then came with me to your Excellency and it was agreed that I should have the aforesaid sum if I would perform the duty that Mr. Wilkinson was to do, all which I have done as far as lay in my power. A warrant issued to the Sheriff,