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[Council to Sheriff of Ann Arundel Co.]

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In Council Annapolis 23d April 1779

Sir.

It is represented by M^r Rigley that a Writ of Ne exeat is issued and served against William Noke and that you have let him go at Large without any Security, alledging that a Certificate granted to him by this Board, purporting that the Government had no Objection to his going to Europe by way of the West Indies, was a Supersedeas of the Ne exeat. You certainly cannot discharge any Man from Legal Process in a Civil Matter on the Order of this Board, was such Order to issue; but, to prevent Mistakes or Misapprehensions, this is to inform you that the Certificate granted to M^r Noke, is no Discharge or Supersedeas of any Kind of Process, nor was it so intended.

We are &ca

Sheriff of Ann Arundel County.

[Council to D. Hughes.]

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In Council Annapolis 23d April 1779

Sir.

Inclosed you have a Letter directed to you from the Board of War & a Copy of one just received by the Post. We wish Colo Rawlings's Idea of placing the Prisoners out to work with good Whigs, may take Place; the Security you take, we do not expect, will be very high, but sufficient to make those who have the Prisoners attentive & vigilant. The Plan of keeping up a small Guard at Fort Frederick to receive back such of the Prisoners as may misbehave, will be a prudent and, we hope an effectual Check on the Conduct of those who are let out and we much wish that a sufficient Number of Men may be engaged, on a Bounty as formerly proposed to do that Service, so that the Militia may be left to prosecute their private Affairs and when the Militia see that every Step is taken for their Ease, which can, with Safety, we flatter ourselves, they will generally cooperate with you to effect our Views.

Dan¹ Hughes Esq^r
L^t of Washington County

We are &ca

[The Chevalier d'Anmours to Gov. Johnson.]

Original.

Sir,

I have the honour to Recommend to your Protection, the Bearer of this Monsieur A, Sigonier Capⁿ in Col Armand's Regiment in the Continental service, who has been insulted