

- c. c. Quarters. You are to wait on the General, make known your Appointments from this State he will, we presume, take Order for the Officers receiving their Commissions

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Cap<sup>t</sup> Edward Gale

[Council to Commander of Fort Pitt]

In Council Annapolis 16<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1779

Sir

We had the Honor of receiving a few Days ago a Letter from his Excellency Gen<sup>l</sup> Washington inclosing a List of four Officers belonging to this State who have been in Captivity & are reported by the Comm<sup>y</sup> of Prisoners as Violators of Paroll. His Ex<sup>y</sup> desires such Measures may be taken as shall appear proper & Effectual to produce their immediate Return. He remarks that this will be rendering essential Service to our Officers in General in Captivity will tend much to Remove the Difficulties which now lie in the Way of Exchange and to discourage the Practice of violating Parolls in future. Cap<sup>t</sup> Richard Davis of Washington County is one of the Persons mentioned in this List. We understand he has either set off or on the Point of setting off for the Back Country, he may probably call at Pittsburg, or at some Post under your Direction and we have no Doubt your Inclination will be equal to your Power to compel him to appear before Gen<sup>l</sup> Washington by whom he will, most probably, be returned into Captivity

Officer commanding at }  
Fort Pitt }

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[Council to D. Hughes.]

In Council Annapolis 16<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1779

Sir

We received the other Day a Letter from his Ex<sup>y</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Washington dated the 26<sup>th</sup> of last Month, inclosing a List of Officers who are reported by the Comm<sup>y</sup> of Prisoners, as Violators of Paroll, amongst them is Capt Richard Davis who, we hear is just about going into the Back Country. The Gen<sup>l</sup> desires that effectual Measures may be taken to produce their immediate Return. We should very reluctantly go into any Violence or Severity, which might injure a young Man who has fought in the Battles of America, might hurt his Brother, who has suffered a long Imprisonment or a Father who has behaved as a good American and have therefore spoke to