

February 19 [Thos. White Kent County Delaware State Deposition]

I hereby Certify to whom it may Concern that I am well acquainted with M^r Freeborn Garretson and that he has been an Inhabitant of this State for near Eighteen month Last past dureing which time he has supported an unblemished Character and Generally supposed to be a man of Great Piety, and I believe has Comply^d with the Laws of the State in Every Instance so far as Related to a Preacher of the Gospel.

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[George Washington, Head Qrs. Morristown, to Gov. Lee]

Sir Your Excellency will have received, I make no doubt, a Copy of an Act of Congress of the 9th Instant, ascertaining the Quotas of non Commissioned Officers and privates to be furnished by the Respective States for the ensuing Campaign, and directing all the men in the additional Corps, Guards, Artillery and Horse and the Regimented Artificers in the Departments of the Quarter Master General and Commissary General of Military Horses, as well as those of the Battalions in the State lines, whose times of service do not expire before the last of September next, to be considered as part of the Quotas of the States to which they respectively belong. The Quota of the State of Maryland is fixed at 3238, and I have now the honor to inclose your Excellency a Special Return of the Non Commissioned Officers and Privates in her Seven Battalions and of the men belonging to her in Spencer's & Hazen's Regiments, serving with Harrison's Regiment of Artillery in the late Gale's Artillery Company. Lee's Corps and the Artillery Artificers; designating in a particular manner, the proportion engaged for the War and by monthly column periods when, and in what proportion the services of the Rest will expire. Your Excellency will observe by the Act, that the men whose engagements expire before the last of September and I have already taken the liberty to mention are not to be counted as part of the 3238 and therefore according to the Return inclosed the deficiency to be raised recrediting also the 26 in the German Battalion is 1047. There are however a few Corps besides those I have mentioned not acting immediately with the part of the Army in which there may be some men belonging to the State, and I consider it as an unlucky circumstance that I have not such Returns of them in my possession as will ascertain the point and the credit to which the State may be entitled in consequence. The principal one is the German Battalion. I expect a Return of this and of one or two more Corps when I shall take the earliest occasion after obtaining them, to advise your Excellency of the number of them in them belonging to the State. I have thought it more eligible to transmit the present Return than to delay it, till those of every little detached Corps could be collected, as the want