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appoint you one of the recruiting Officers for—County. You must be sensible it is of the last Importance to prevent the Enemy from penetrating our State which can only be effected by our sending a respectable Force to the Succour of our neighbouring State of Virginia, and that added to the Inconveniences consequent on a Draught will stimulate you to make every Effort to enlist before the 16th July next what recruits can be procured in your County. The Money to pay the Recruits their Bounty and to make you Compensation for your Tramble, will be furnished as soon as possible. We have appointed—to receive and provide for the Recruits and have enclosed a Copy of the Law.

Ibid.
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[Council to Capt. Osborne Williams.]

We have enclosed you a Commission as Captain of a Company of select Militia for Prince George's County, together with the Commission for Joseph Ross and Joseph Queen the Gentlemen appointed to assist you in the Command of the said Company.

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Tuesday 26th June 1781.

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer deliver to John Muir Esq^r one hundred hh^{ds} of Tobacco to be delivered over to Col^o Samuel Smith to be by him expended in the purchase of Cloathing for the Army on Account.

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[Council to Colo. Samuel Smith.]

We have delivered one hundred Hogsheads of Tobacco to M^r Muir according to your request. The Price of Tobacco in this State is so much inferiour to what can be obtained in Philadelphia, that it is our earnest Desire that what you have on Hand should be transported to Philadelphia and sold, and the Net Proceeds invested there in such Cloathing and military Stores as we have instructed you to procure. We wish to be immediately informed what Cloathing you have procured under the late Act. The Collectors of Cloathing appointed in the other Counties on the western shore have executed the Act, and if you have not yet made any Purchases or Seizures we expect you will not delay to do it.

Ibid.

[Council Circular, Lieut of Somerset and Worcester Counties.]

Enclosed you have a warrant to apprehend certain Persons in your County who we are well informed have been trading with the Enemy and are dangerous to the State; we request you will have them arrested immediately and sent to this Board under a proper Guard with the Depositions of such Witnesses, as have any knowledge of their trading with or receiving Protection from the Enemy.