

Gentlemen I find the Order in your papers of 22<sup>d</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> - for you are come to a resolution of sending at Providence  
procures therefore to send you my services, as Architect & Superintendant for that purpose (if not my wife)  
I must confess my mind of application deviates from formalities customary on such occasions, such as  
letters of recommendations &c. - for my part think it needless - after informing you of my appointment as an  
Architect & Superintendant to the New State House for Providence - as well several private Desires  
particularly one of a grand & Elegant construction for Dr Gallowsby Esq<sup>r</sup> Speaker of the House of Assembly  
by being regularly bred to these Sciences - & I only am upon of Judgment - Experience may be of great ad-  
vantage - For nothing being more desirable & satisfactory to a Society of Gentlemen than the ap-  
provement being an Accumulated Skill to of but Advantage - (Particularly in Deciding that many  
difficult Matters to of founders by hand down their Names to posterity) rather than of erecting a  
disputed Pillar which not only disgraces the Eyes of every beholder, but is the punishment for the  
limited abilities of the Artist - also I am sorry to find so many already erected upon of Continents without  
Skill or Genius - in has heard many Thousands of pounds, Subverted with that freedom of Generosity only  
sought to the Americans - I Proceed from my practical knowledge of the Science as well as my  
knowledge of several parts of Europe - shall not be found wanting in of out of pleasing my Employers  
to serve them - to Establish my Name upon of Continent - as there was my Mother that first  
to the Country - added to my natural desire of raising the Reputed Science to of highest pitch of  
Glorious in this Continent - If my Offer meet your Approbation shall in consequence of a bond  
Directed to me attend your appointment - till then remains

Philadelphia 14 Mar 1770

Gentlemen Your Obedient Servant

Jos: Horatio Anderson  
Architect of Philadelphia

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