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Copy of a Letter dated Feb: 10 1754 to His Ldp.

My Lord



I do myself the honour to express my gratefulness for the  
extream pleasure I received from being informed of Your Ldp's  
kind wishes toward me & to acquaint Your Ldp with the  
decease of M<sup>r</sup> Young, one of the Judges of the Land Office  
which Accident I thought had given me an opportunity of  
serving two of the Gent<sup>l</sup> to whom Your Ldp's Precommendation  
as well as my own inclination obliged me to give the preference  
As soon as M<sup>r</sup> Young's <sup>growing</sup> indisposition deprived us of all  
hopes of his Recovery, I made the proposal to M<sup>r</sup> Calvert  
of succeeding him, not imagining He would have been at  
all averse to dividing the Office with M<sup>r</sup> Stewart who on  
account of the other Judges incapacity to attend has hitherto  
Transacted the whole Business for the consideration of one  
Third of the Income. Such an increase of his Profits in  
the Land Office I thought would be some reward for  
his faithfull Services & make him readily resign a Place  
which He has enjoyed in the Paper Currency Office of 800  
£ Ann. With which I intended to make some Provision  
for M<sup>r</sup> Young's Son whose Name Your Ldp was pleased  
to insert among those Gent<sup>l</sup> who are favoured with a particular  
Precommendation. but my hopes of serving more than one

of your