

Circular, In Council June 5. 1789.

Sir,

The period being at hand when the Regulations of the Congress of the United States will supersede the State Laws with respect to duties on Merchandise, it is necessary that the business on its present footing should be wound up and the dues of the State ascertained with all speed - We therefore request that immediately on the commencement of the operation of the Revenue Law now under the consideration of Congress you will make out and transmit to this Board an Account of Money due to your Office agreeably to the example herewith enclosed - It is equally necessary that the Money in your hands should be paid over to the Treasury without Delay.

Wm. Smith

Naval Officers -

J. Howard

In Council June 11. 1789

Sir,

We have before us your Letter of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Instant enclosing a Bond for the faithful performance of your Duty which is approved - We shall answer your enquiries as far as the present view we have of the subject will enable us - It is not our intention to lodge a general discretionary power with the Agents to sell on Credit, but we may possibly find it necessary to give such directions in particular cases - and

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