

Description except Artillery.

I feel a confidence that the Nature of this Emergency arising within our own Government, will enable you (or whose Agency I rely on this occasion) to obtain Volunteers in Baltimore and on the Point to the Extent of the above Arrangement; - but if contrary to my Expectation, there should be any Reluctance to serve on an occasion so evidently pressing itself upon every Friend to his Country, the power of the Laws must be resorted to for procuring the Troops required by a speedy Draft. Which must be confined to the Inhabitants of Towns on account of the Delay which a general and diffusive Draft would certainly occasion. -

As fast as the Men (to be raised in Baltimore) can be procured you will be pleased to cause them to march with all possible Dispatch by the nearest Route to Frederick Town under the Command of some Major to be nominated and appointed by you. - The Command of the whole Detachment will be offered to Colonel Stricker.

As it is greatly to be wished that the turbulent Disposition before alluded to, may be overawed by the View of as powerful a force as possible. you will no doubt immediately order on the Troops collected at Baltimore in consequence of the Presidents Requisition.

All the Troops will receive Arms &c on their arrival at Frederick Town, and must be supplied with Provisions on their March according to the General orders of this Date. -

I have to inform you that Col. Prezia Davis has declined accepting his appointment in the Detachment under your Command. and of course you will oblige me by naming some other person whose appointment will be acceptable to you in Colonel Davis's place.

I need not mention that Drafts and Volunteers for the Western Expedition cannot be accepted as any part of the projected Detachment to act in Frederick and the Counties before mentioned.

Brigadier General
Samuel Smith

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Thos. J. Lee