

anxious for the immediate decision of the proper authority, as his success may depend
upon expedition

The President of the United States

We have the honor to

Levin Winder

Sir

In Council Annapolis April 27th

The appointments requested in your letter of the tenth have been made. The demands for arms and ammunition from different sections of the State, are great. We have endeavored to supply them as far as it is in our power. We enclose an order, on the Armorer at Eastern, for as many arms and foforth as can at this time be spared to the Militia of Worcester County. These arms we wish to be distributed among the Militia of the County, in such manner as that they may be used with most effect. Those who are most likely to be called upon to resist aggression, will of course be first supplied. With respect to field Pieces, we have none to dispose of now. You will endeavor to procure Waggon to bring the arms from Eastern.

We are with Respect

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Sir

Council Chamber Annapolis

It having been mentioned to us, in a letter from M^r Dorsey, that it was your wish that M^r Patterson should be commissioned as aid de camp we have issued the commission and send it to you. This appointment would have been made before, but it was thought more proper, that this officer should not be aide president of the General. If you should be of this opinion you can withhold the commission and assigne profit, otherwise you will have the goodness to deliver it.

We are with Respect

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Sir

In Council Annapolis April 27th

Your letter of the twenty fourth Instant is received and commissions are ordered for the persons whom you recommended. Two hundred and fifty Rifles were ordered from Philadelphia, and it is probable would have reached us before this time, but for the arrival of the Enemy's fleet in our Bay. It is impossible now to tell when they will get to the shore. Several applications have already been made by Rifle companies, and it is probable that