

been informed of what has been done by you towards the execution of your duty, and the intentions of the Commander in Chief, is, at all times, necessary. But at this moment of actual invasion by the enemy and when our shores are exposed to their depredations, no excuse can be allowed for any delay on the part of the Officers of the Militia, to comply with their duty. We have determined to send on an Express for the purpose of knowing of you, why the Militia men from your Regiment, have not yet reached the place of their destination and when they will be here.

Colonel Lenthall and Brooks

We are with Respect

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Sir Council Chamber Annapolis April

In consequence of the force, which the Enemy has in our neighbourhood, and the intelligence received by us, through various channels of their designs, we deem it absolutely necessary to call to the seat of Government further aid. You are therefore requested to take immediate steps for detaching from your Brigade, a full Battalion of men and officers, to be placed under the command of one of your Majors, whom you will select for the purpose, and with orders to march forthwith to Annapolis, and report themselves to the Commander in Chief. You are further required, to have another Battalion in readiness to march at a moments warning. We take this opportunity to express to you and through you to the Militia of Prince George County, the high pleasure which was afforded to us, by the signal proof of patriotic zeal and love of Country given by them upon the late call, which was made by your Excellency no return of the draughted Militia from your Brigade in the Adjutant General's Office. Such of the Militia ordered to Annapolis as have arms will bring them with them. Brigadier General Stephen West

We are Respectfully

Levi Witten

In Council Chamber Annapolis May 6 1781

To the enclosed order, you will give immediate attention. In consequence of the imminent exigencies to which the State has been put, for the defence of men, ordered into service, we have to request that you will affix it to some person, to furnish rations for them at the place of Rendezvous in the County, until their departure and also sufficient funds for them until they reach the seat of Government, which will be conveyed in the baggage, or on the executive for the amount. They are to be furnished at the Frederick Armory, in the Markets and such other articles wanted by them, as it can furnish them before being in imminent danger, no time must be lost in sending on the detachment. You will oblige