

In Council Chamber June 16/813

We have recd your letter of the 10th inst from Doctor Holden to inform us that he
thinks it best to have the temporary Mate of the Third and Regiment, and a the he had
never before but he thinks the temporary Mate was appointed in his
place. It appears that the Department appears that Doctor
Holden has been informed of a letter from you stating a vacancy
and he has been directed to ascertain from you upon
what grounds you wish to remove the Representation. We are &
Respectfully
Levon Winder

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Your two letters have been received. It is difficult to give you instructions at
such a distance from the place where they are to be obeyed, and without any know-
ledge of the force which may at any time make the invasion or that which it will be
in the power of our officers to employ in repelling it. An Act of Assembly passed at
the last session to provide for calling out detachments of the Militia to repel invasion
and so forth makes some alteration in the Law. This Law with others is directed to be pub-
lished and as soon as can be had will be distributed. It provides among other things
that the commanding Officers of Companies shall proceed immediately to divide
their Companies into lots from one to ten and when ordered into service, they shall
begin with the first class, and secondly when a class is required, the commanding officer
of the company shall notify them by writing three days before they are to assemble
unless they are ordered into immediate service when the order will so state, and any
individual neglecting to serve in person or to offer a substitute who is to be approved
of by the commanding officer of a company, and unless prevented by sickness or
other reasonable excuse shall pay a fine not exceeding fifty Dollars current Money.
In case of insurrection or invasion, the officer calling out the Militia shall give
immediate information of it with every circumstance attending the same as early
as possible, to his immediate commanding officer by whom such information shall
be transmitted with the utmost expedition to the Commander in Chief.