

Council Chamber, Annapolis June 21st 1820

The Adjutant General will perceive by the enclosed Letter from the enclosed Letter from the Secretary of War that the President of the United States is extremely anxious that the law of Congress of the 2^d of March 1803 in relation to the militia of the United States should be complied with by this State as speedily as possible. He will also perceive from the abstract accompanying that there has been no return made of the militia nor of the arms, accoutrements &c of this State to the General Government since 1811 which is seriously to be regretted both as it relates to the National interest and the private interest of this State - you are therefore most respectfully commanded to cause to be taken such immediate measures as in your judgment may seem best calculated to effect in the most satisfactory manner the object of this communication - Always relying upon this Department for any aid or assistance which may be in your pleasure to require or in their power to render.

With great consideration and personal regard we have the honor to be,
Your most obed^t Serv^t

Samuel Sprigg

Richard Harwood of Thomas Esquire

Council Chamber Annapolis July 19th 1820

Sir

Having received a transcript of the record of conviction of Jesse Griffith before a special Court appointed by me for Dorchester County, I on the thirteenth Instant signed a warrant for the execution of the sentence of the law - which directed that it should be carried into effect on Friday the twenty eighth of the present month - This warrant has been transmitted to and is now in the hands of the Sheriff of the above mentioned County - since the performance of that official duty, (which the circumstances of the case as then understood by me)