

Sir,
 to J. S. Martin
 informing
 him of his
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 asst. Counsel
 in the case

Executive Department
 Annapolis,
 March 7th 1853

James Lloyd Martin, Esq.
 States Attorney for Talbot County

The Governor has received a petition from citizens of Talbot County, stating that Theodore S. Lockman, Esq. Doberman, charged with an assault with intent to commit a murder, has removed his trial to Caroline County; that he has employed able counsel, and that the public interests require the employment of additional counsel to act in conjunction with the States Attorney for that County. After due consideration, the Governor has resolved to grant the application, as it appears to him to be well grounded and proper. You are therefore assigned as counsel to aid the States Attorney of Caroline County, in the prosecution of Theodore S. Lockman, in the case aforesaid.

You will please notify me immediately of your acceptance or refusal of this appointment.

The Governor hopes that you may feel at liberty to accept the position, although it is a disagreeable one; as the ends of public justice should be subserved, even at the cost of individual feeling. The Governor will feel secure in entrusting the public interests to your energy, talents and professional experience.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servt
 Thos. H. O'Neal
 Secy of State

A. P. Mr. Martin accepted the appointment, and proceeded to prosecute.

Executive Department
 Annapolis, Md.
 March 9th 1853.

The Gov. to
 Lieut. Archer
 and his
 a copy of
 Resolution
 No. 79

Sir
 Alfred W. Bateman, Esquire, a member of the House of Delegates from Starford County, notified me that you had never received copy of Resolution No. 79.