

Executive Department  
Annapolis March 9<sup>th</sup> 1854

Hon. Henry May

Sir: I acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2<sup>nd</sup> inst. informing me that in the case of the State of Md. vs. Mistis you have declined to act as Counsel for the State and have returned the Record & Brief to the Clerk of the Court of Appeals. I regret very much the loss to the State of your professional services in this case but the reasons assigned for your withdrawal strike my mind as very forcible & just & I have therefore acceded to your request & have assigned other Counsel in the case.

Very Respy  
Yours &c  
J. Watkins Ligon

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Note. to J. Watkins Ligon of 7<sup>th</sup> Mar. 1854 in case of State vs. Mistis.

State of Maryland  
Executive Department  
Annapolis March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1854

James M. Anderson  
Col. 53<sup>rd</sup> Regt. Infan'y U.S.

Dear Sir: I have the honor to inform you that the Governor has received your favor asking that Commissions for Officers of Washington Guards be withheld, and that in accordance with your request, the said Commissions are for the present withheld.

Respy. Yr. Obed. Serv  
Cathaniel Cox  
Secretary of State

Executive Department  
Richmond March 24<sup>th</sup> 1854

His Excellency  
Thomas W. Ligon  
Governor of the State of Maryland

Sir: The General Assembly of this State at its late session, in compliance with a request from the Legislature of the State of Maryland, passed an act for making & summing the Boundary line, between the State of Virginia and Maryland, a copy of which I herewith enclose, I am prepared to carry into effect the provisions of this Act, when it shall be agreeable to the authorities of the State of Maryland to intimate a readiness to unite in its execution. Commissioners will