

You will be good enough to inform me whether you accept this appointment.

I am your obt servt
Geo W Jefferson
Private Secretary

accepted. See Randall's letter of acceptance in letter book.

State of Maryland

Executive Chamber
Annapolis. July 16th 1860

Nelson Poe Esq
Dear Sir,

Upon the receipt of your note I immediately communicated its contents to the Governor. The Governor directs me to say that having appointed Messrs Rice and Randall in the place of Messrs McLahon and Nelson to act with you, he will probably be governed in the matter by the advice of the Counsel or a majority of them. The Governor hopes you will confer with Messrs Rice and Randall, and if you cannot all agree upon a report; then each Counsel will of course furnish his opinion for the information of the Governor. The Governor will receive your communication at any time.

Very truly yours
Geo W Jefferson
Private Secretary

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To Messrs Poe, Rice and Randall & Hagner,
Counsel for the State

Sirs,

After the fullest examination I have been able to give the subject, aided by the written opinions of Messrs Rice, Randall & Hagner, I have concluded on behalf of the State of Maryland to unite with the City of Baltimore and other parties to the litigation against the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company, in accepting the compromise offered by the Company in relation to their extra dividend, and for that purpose I do hereby authorize you, or a majority of you in behalf of the State, to dismiss the suit of the State pending in the Circuit Court of the City of Baltimore against that Company, and to do all other legal acts