

and least complicated to draw in favor of Mr Gilpin, for three hundred pounds in one draught
which I have inclosed to him and am.

H. H.

Gentlemen.

In Committee Baltimore 2 Sept 1776.

This Committee having heard that your Honble houses are about to raise a
battalion or two in this Province. We beg leave to recommend the bearer Mr Robt Wilmoth
a native of this County and attached to the Liberties of America as a Lieutenant or Ensign
in the service.

We are with all due respect Your most Obedt & Able Servt
The Honble Matthew Tilghman Esq. Saml Purviance Junr Chairman, Willm Lux V. Ch

President of the Convention And Buchanan, Tho Boyd, Edwd Talbot, Benjamin
of Maryland. Griffith, William Wilkinson, Thomas Rutter.

Honble the Council of Safety

Lower District of Fresh County.

Gentlemen:

2nd September 1776.

Yours of the 17th last month to my brother Leonard came to hand a
few days after he had marched for Philadelphia. he waited several days after his letter to
you of the 12th but receiving no orders he consulted Colo Griffith, who ordered him to march
and recruit on the way. for a fire men to complement his company, after which his return
was to be made from Philadelphia. I hope my brother will stand excused for this step, for
both the Colo and himself thought it for the good of the Province; he would have been
one of the first companies full, had he not been unlucky in some of his officers, he has
himself recruited most of his men. Bruce who solicited you for the Ensign's commission
has not recruited one man, notwithstanding he engaged to go with the Company till
the day they march, and even then promised the Captain to follow him in a day or
two, but has since declined.

I know my brother will wish to have his first Sergeant, W Dennis Griffith
appointed his Ensign, and when he makes his return I expect he will solicit you
in his favour. He is a very deserving young man and I think merits the Commission.

The Cash you sent by W Nicholls for my Brother is delivered to the
Committee of this District who will account for it. I am Gentlemen

The Honble the Council of Safety

Your Obedt & Able Servt.

of the Province of Maryland.

Will Deakins Junr.

Baltimore 2nd September 1776.

To the Honorable Convention of Maryland.

Gentlemen: I was first ship't as master mate of the Ship Defiance at her first
setting out in the provincial service. At the time Lieut Monckton left the Ship I was
advanced to Master by the Council of Safety. I hope your Honours will continue to
advance me in rotation or as Com Nicholls may think right as I imagine him
to be the best Judge what I may deserve. Lieut Nichols as I there is going to leave the
Ship likewise Lieut Jones, if so I think should be his Lieutenant as I was master
of the Ship before Lieut Auchenbach had his commission from Gentlemen

The Honble the Council of Safety

Your most Obedt & Able Servt.

now sitting at Annapolis.

John Bunnell

Gentlemen.

Talbot County Sept 30 1776

Agreeable to your order I have this day engaged Sergeant Bannister