

of the latter from trading to which he was subject by his conduct. We apprehend there is the more room for such suspicion from Mr Green's conduct which does not stand so fair as we could expect from a friend to our common cause. But at any rate we conceived that every person was precluded from trading with Mr Clarke after he was published by the Committee; and by Mr Green's own acknowledgements before us, it appeared that no rule of the society was made to him before that time.

To The Honorable

Order of the Committee.

Council of Safety at Annapolis

Saml Purviance Jr (Chairman)

(Ann Arundel County September 16<sup>th</sup> 1776.

The Field officers of the Elk Ridge Battalion of Militia beg leave to recommend to the Honorable Convention, Mr Lewis Lawrence as First and Mr Thomas Todd as second Lieutenants, under Capt Thomas Watkins Sr of Col Williams Battalion, agreeable to a resolve of Convention the 10<sup>th</sup> Instant.

Thomas Grose, Colo

The Field officers of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, beg leave to recommend Captain Thomas Watkins (as Captain) and John James Jr as Ensign to one of the Companies to be raised in Ann Arundel County, agreeable to the late resolve of the Honourable Convention passed the 10<sup>th</sup> Instant Sept 16<sup>th</sup> 1776.

To The Honorable

John Weems

Richard Harwood Jr,

Jos: Gallows,

Council of Safety.

Gentlemen.

Conformable to your request I met my Battalion on Friday last when I assisted all in my power to raise the Company wanting to reinforce the American Army at New York, and am very sorry to inform you there was the greatest backwardness that could be in our young men. I also was at the meeting of Colo Sims Battalion the next day, which behaved with the same backwardness. There are several gentlemen recruiting, viz, Mr Levin Covington, Mr Abraham Boyd and Mr Richard Wootten, but am afraid a company will not be made especially as the people will be perplexed with regard to their Commander. I am of opinion that were we ordered by the Convention to meet our Battalions together at Upper Marlborough we should be able to settle all such difficulties and by that means make out a company. I should be glad you would fix on a day for our meeting it would save us the trouble of meeting on that acct. Monday next would answer very well, all which I submit to your Honors and am Gentlemen —

Your most obedt Slave

Robt Tyler.

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Sept 1776.

To The Honorable Convention of Maryland.

Sirs

Baltimore Sept 16<sup>th</sup> 1776.

I have provided the tobacco and the flour is coming in fast for the Province Revolution. I bought the tobacco for 22/5 very good Virginia. As much I can get the best blue flour light cakes from 12/6 to 18/00 as yet and hope it may rise higher but the price in Philadelphia is so high that the millers grumble much. I shall get all the superfine I can which I must give 15/ for.