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The humble petition of John Games Senior, in behalf and respect of his son John Games; Humbly sheweth

That your poor petitioner hath three sons in the Honourable Continentals service, and I myself being deprived of the use of one of my hands is not in the least able to afford my poor distressed family any support, which is composed of a House full of small children, and none of them being of ability to render their poor helpless father any support, Therefore your poor Petitioner shall ever be obliged to your Honors, provided you should, most honourable Gentlemen grant a free and honourable discharge to your poor Petitioner's petition in behalf and respect of his son John Games, who has been sick almost ever since his time in the Honourable Continentals service. — Was he in health, most Honourable Gentlemen, I should not be in the least for his continuance in the Present Cause, but being most Honourable Gentlemen in a poor way, and state of Health, and upon application to Capt Fulford he has given his Approbation in Respect to his Discharge, provided your Honours will give your consent thereto, he knowing him at the same time most Honourable Gentlemen to be a sick and weakly man, and rendered incapable of doing any duty almost ever since his enlistment. — Therefore most Honourable Gentlemen, hopes your Honours will take your poor Petitioner's petition into your Honours most serious consideration, and consult deliberately thereon, and grant him your petitioner, an Answer in Favour of his son's Discharge for which your poor Petitioner shall ever be in duty bound to pray.

John Games.

To The Honourable the Convention
now sitting in the City of Annapolis.
These by Submission — Present.

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Gentlemen,

In your Province Store I've some Durame or Tameis that would do to make Cullers for the Province vessels. Please to let Mr Masteney's, my clerk, have it he now waits on you for it, if you can spare it. If you have no thin Canvas Please to send me two Boulds of your thickest ozenbrigs. I should have waited on you myself but am obliged to go to the lower Part of Prince Georges County, where I hear there is a Quantity of Breef to sell on Wednesday morning. I intend to set off to Baltimore by Water to look after the Rigam, Cables, Iron Hooks and boats for the Province vessels. I understand the Defense, Prize Ship, Captain Walker has some small guns and Cohornes. If you have no particular use for them, and will give me an order for them I can fit out these two Schooners with guns. If you want me to do any thing for you at Baltimore Please to Request me and I will comply with your orders if I can.

I am your most obedient, humble
Servt. Stephen Steward.

To the Hon^{ble} Council of Safety
Annapolis.