Dear Sir.

Queen Anns County Decr 25th 1776.

Since my returning home, finding my friends exceedingly against my entering the service again, begg leave to resign the Commission you have been kind enough to appoint me to return you my hearty thanks for the honor conferred upon me and am with the greatest respect yours.

Colo Willm Richardson

Samel Wright of Thomas.

Forwd by Capt. Henry

Caroline County.

Slepney Decr 26th 1776.

Dear Sir.

Enclosed you have a letter from the President of the Board of War and the proposed answer to it from our Board which if approved by you, I M. Thomas may be sent on to Colo Hale for his assent in order to save time.

With my Compliments to Mrs Plater.

I am your Obedt Servt.

To the Honble Colo Plater.

Danl of St Thos Jenifer.

P.S.

I have kept a copy of the letter to Mr H, and will bring it to town with me, it will save time, and the post be permitted to proceed without calling upon one of our clerks.

Sr

Talbot County Decr 26th 1776.

A sincear desire to render my Country every service in my power, induced me to accept of the enclosed commission, but finding myself disappointed, that many of us rather disposed to quarrell with his Neighbour than face the Enemy; that a general discontent prevails and unwillingness in the people to do any duty or even attend musters, and a disregard to any sort of order Several Battalions without field officers and others absolutely refusing to obey the Commands of those appointed over them, has determined me to resign that Commission with which I was honored by the Convention and wish he that succeeds me may give general Satisfaction. I am with the greatest Respect.

Sr Your obedient humble Servt.

The Honble the President of the Council of Safety in Annapolis

Jas. Lloyd Chamberlaine.

Gentlemen

Baltimore December 27th 1776.

I take this opportunity of informing you that I have launched one of the Row Gallies and that I shall push on the other as fast as possible Please to let me know, how she is to be masted — as I am informed that there is some sheet lead in this Town belonging to you I d be obliged to you to send me an order for some, as I want it for Scupers and magazine. Please to send me per Bearer Mr Barry any further directions or commands you may have for me which shall be punctually observed. by.

Gentlemen, Your most Obedt Humble Servant

The Honble Council of Safety for the State of Maryland, Annapolis

George Wells.

Gentlemen. Please to send me per Bearer Mr John Barry the sum of seven hundred Pounds on account of the Row Gallies,

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