

Sir,

Head Quarters Salisbury 16th Feb 1777.

The Barr Capt Handy, writes on you with two Prisoners. Collt Richardson ordered on James King. but he is so very ill that he is not able to march. You have already one Barr. Walston sent up who was an ensign in Capt. Handy's company of Militia, as I conceive he cannot continue in Office any longer, and every one of Capt. Handy's Sergeants were in the Fort Camp. I would recommend Frederick Hill as the most proper person to fill the Office of Ensign in that Company. I am Sir your humble servant.

Genl of St Thomas Quarter Annapolis } Joseph Dashiell.

Sirs.

Harford County 17th February 1777.

We received the money remitted us by Mr Morris and shall take care to return account of the expenditure. The money we formerly had we remitted acct of. If mischance has happened that it has not come to your hands, we will furnish duplicates on a late return made us by Capt. John Golley, David Severney is appointed Second Lieutenant and John Cunningham Ensign in the Room of two Officers of that company removed the Honble Council of Safety of Maryland. Signed per Order of Comm^{rs} Amos Garrett, Chron. P.S. Pleas to expedite commissions for the Officers above appointed.

First Colle	Alexander Gown	223.	---
Second Do	James McFarreis	146.	---
First Major	Bennet Pusey	97.	---
Second Do	Samuel Caldwell	78.	---

We do hereby certify that the above named Gentlemen were duly elected as field Officers for the eighth Battalion of Harford County in the State of Maryland. Witness our hands this 19th day of February 1777.

John Taylor, Robt Amos Judges. James Smith, Joseph Cromwells Clerks. Capt. Charles Baker, Capt. Benjamin B Morris, Capt. James Stewart, Capt. Benjamin Amos, William Downs, Benjⁿ Scott.

Gentlemen

Baltimore County Feb 20th 1777.

Y^e will be pleased to make out the Commissions field Officers for the eighth Battalion, Harford County, agreeable to the above certificate.

To the Council of Safety of Maryland }

I am, Sir yours
And. Buchanan.

Gentlemen.

February the 18th 1777.

I made bold some time since to petition to your Honours for my enlargement, but have received no answer from your Honours. I now again make bold to intreat your Honours to release me from this my confinement as what I did was only in resentment to the person and no ways designing any ill against the State of affairs of the American cause. I have, Gentlemen, associated and likewise given to the relief of the distressed in Boston. I bear, Gentlemen, no allegiance to the King of England, nor have I any connection with those (that)