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Elkton July 4th 1812

The Governor & Council
of the S. of Maryland

The Elkton Troop of Cavalry
ever desirous of contributing their proportion of aids
to the welfare and safety of their Country, are desirous
of being informed through me, wheather they
are exempted from the present Draft. or
Requisition, by their former Volinteering, while
under their former Commander Capt. W. Hollingsworth
and if so, would it be consistant with the
arraingment of the Militia of the State, that
you accept. of their Services for any extra duty
that may be required in this or either of the
joining States, a Number of New Members
having since the former Volinteering joined
the Troop, will it is presumed be subject to
the present Draft. or. at the same time I beg
leave to Tender you my Services

P. S. your answer as soon
as convenient will oblige

I am Respectfully
Adam Wharm Major
of the 8th Cavalry
District of Maryland

The Honorable
The Governor & Council
of Maryland

Adam Wharm
Letter