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Annapolis 19th July 1812

Sir

Being disappointed to wait on you in person at this place, I take the liberty of inclosing a letter introducing from Wm Digges, with the humble request to honor me with an appointment to hold a Commission in the militia of this state —

I had with me other documents to establish my being possessed of the requisites for such a post, furnished me by some of my neighbours of respectability, which I thought it superfluous to add here —

Any orders will be respectfully received by me at my father in law's place, Mr Savary at Montasile

I have the honor to be

Your Excellency's
most humble Servant
A W Preuss

His Excellency
Robt Bowie
Governor of Maryland

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His Excellency
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Governor &c &c &c
at his seat near
Nottingham