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His Excellency Robert Bowie
Esq. Governor of the State of
Maryland.

Sir,

Permit me to request your attention to the enclosed papers. It was my intention to have presented them in person but the severe indisposition of my mother prevented me from leaving that house.

Your Excellency will see that some of my friends have solicited a Lieutenancy for me, but from what I have been informed; I expect that that appointment has already been made in the Militia detached from the 43rd. Regiment. If so, though I should prefer a Lieutenancy, yet I should think my self highly honored if Your Excellency and the honorable the Council, would bestow upon me the Commission of Ensign in that Corps.

I should have procured other recommendations, had not a republican friend told me that he deemed the enclosed quite sufficient.

This is a perilous crisis — I have an ardent desire to serve my Country. With

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His Excellency
The Governor of Maryland
In Council
Annapolis.

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