Dr Dan

Maryland March 14th 1776 —

Your Letter of the 24th & 29th of November came to hand a few days ago together with one from Mr Randolph, tho' Not a Line from Wat as you said there would — The contents of yours & Mr Randolphs Letters has alarmed Not a little but as it is impossible for Me to leave My Chester in the Situation she is in, when hostilities are expected to commence every Mom.t over in this province, I have sent a Power of Attorney to Mr Randolph & you Jointly & severally to do the best you can for Me with Wat till I can be in England, which I hope yet will be by the last of the Summer — I have Wrote Mr Randolph very fully on the Occasion to which I refer you and shall write by ~~Capt Rott~~ Next Opportunity More fully — I am truly sorry at the situation you are in with Wat — His whole conduct together has Determined Me Never to have any More Connection with him After getting clear of him this time, which I hope we shall State do with Lss — However to effect it, every precaution must be taken & no trouble spared — I have been puzzled to find out, by what Right Wat took out

Yours

Yours and My Sisters money out of the funds — If it was invested in the Name of my Fathers Estate or in our Names he could Not do it as he was Neither Administrator to the Estate Nor Guardian to us, Nor can I conceive his being Executor to My Mother could give him the Disposal of it — I wou'd have You to Apply to Our Uncle Jennings who put the Money in the funds & know in Whose Names it was put in, by what Right it was taken Out before Wat & Pamela were of age; How Much there was when it was put in & what the Sum was when it was taken out — also find out by the Stock books at what Price it sold out, which is the Rate it must be accounted for by Wat or whoever is liable for it, As I conceive If Wat had No Right to sell it out & is Not able to Make it Good, You cannot be the Loser, I mention this, that If possible, You May improve upon it with the advice of Mr Jacob, with which I dare say he will do Nothing Mention this to Mr Bensley, who with Mr Randolph, I wou'd have You advise with & Likewise Mr Jennings If he will give it to You — He cou'd do you great service & I think it wou'd Not be Amiss

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