that I should never bring me with any difficulty — as you would understand the management of the matter & guarantee me against any risk — God knows I am already sufficiently embarrassed without the addition of this to it — there must be a considerable sum due on this case, as it has been stated to me. viz —

3 Sundi Exp.s — State of Maryland against R. Jones $3025.71

Int. on $ 40 from 1 Nov 1803
on 632.55 — 1 Nov 1807
560.76 — 1 Nov 1809
170.08 — 1 Nov — 1810
302.24 — 1 Nov — 1811
1314.65 — 1 Nov — 1812 with the final costs

Paid on 18 July 1814 — $200. —

Now my Dear Sir will you do me the favour to write to me immediately stating how & by what means this claim of the State is to be discharged, If any application comes to me, you informed me that you had the money in your own hands or power to discharge it from Nicholson's estate or by some claim of his which was to be paid by R. W. Watkins' estate & this I think is the fact, for I do not see how we are to avoid being compelled to pay this money & thereby exculpate us from

property, which if some much lead to a total sacrifice in these times, if you are to judge of other sales by that of the Bonaparte estate which I am told was bought by Judge Earle @ $2.25 per acre —

I hope your Dear mother is well, this spring is long at present & I fear sickness. Give my kind remembrance to Mrs Sigourney & Mary L, I hope they will escape the usual autumnal attacks. —

Yours sincerely

R. Jones