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Philadelphia 5th Sept. 1778.

Sir.

I have not troubled Your Excellency since the 10th July, since which I have had the honor of receiving & presenting to Congress Your Excellency's favor of the 5th ult. Committed to the Marine board & I presume the subject matter contained in it have been duly attended to.

I have at present no other Commands from Congress respecting Maryland but to transmit an Act of the 2d Inst. for permitting the exportation of Vegetable Provisions for the consumption of the Eastern States which will be found within.

I have the honor to be Sir Your Excellency's Obedient & most humble Servant

Henry Laurens
President of Congress.

Your Excellency will receive with this 12 blank Commissions Instructions & Bonds for Ships of War.

ARCHIVES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

His Excellency
Thomas Johnson Esquire
Governor. Maryland.