Gentlemen Calv: County July 27th 1776

I Recivd Orders from Colln: Markall (who is at St Georges) yesterday, to Send a Company of our Malitia to St Marys to Relieve the Company now Stationd there, which I shall do without loss of time: — As Captn John Brooke his first Lieutenant & Ensign have Enrolld their Number of Men Directed by Convention to Intitle them to their Commissions; I would humbly by leave to Ask if it would not Contribute greatly to the Ease of our Malitia if they were Ordrd to be Stationd either at Drum Point or downein St Marys Marys in lieu of the Companys of Malitia now at Them pla[illegible] untill Such time as your Honours may think proper to Order them otherwise

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ARCHIVES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

I am Gentlemen

Your Mo: Obd Hble Servant

Ellis Somervell