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Having given my Parole to the executive Council of Pennsylvania They permitted me to come to Maryland where my family is, for a Short time which will not expire till the last of November. Since my leaving Philadelphia General Howe has taken possession of it and what is become of my effects there I know not My intention is to send my Son William there to look after my affairs and to bring me some necessaries from thence which I shall want as I have the Council's Promise to continue in Maryland if there should not be such a change in affairs as may require my leaving it But as I am not inclined to send my Son on the above Business without acquainting the Government and having their approbation I am under the Necessity of applying for your Excellency's Permission which I flatter myself I shall find no difficulty in obtaining. I have the honor to be with great Regard Yr Excellency's Most Humble & Most Obt Servt

James Tilghman

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