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Sir

Baltimore 16th May 1779

I Rec.d yours of the 11th Inst. the same day Rec.d a Verbal message by Capt. Plunkett, not to go to Annapolis untill I had further Orders from your Excellcy. & to hold myself in Readiness if the Enemie shoud attempt comming this way. I dont imagine there is any danger from them now. & am Ready to wait on your Excellcy when you thinks proper. shall take it as a favour if your Excellcy will informe me whether you thinks it Necessary. I shoud bring down Lieut. Gordek, or any Officer who was present when those men Inrolld. or if their affidavits taken here, would be of any Service to Convince, your Excellcy & the Council the truth of what I have before Alledged. I shall permit the Minister your Excellcy desires to go down when I do, or all if your Excellcy thinks it Necessary. that have taken these affidavits — shall give an Acct. of the Cloathing when I come down. I shall wait for your Excellcys Answer.

Affidavits

And am.

your Excellcys Mo Obed.t Hble. Serv.t

Nath.l Smith

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