No. 4 Baltimore 15th 1782 —

I do myself the Honour to inform your Excellency that a certain Stephen Mitford of the State of Virginia stands indicted in the General Court of this State for High Treason committed within this State — he was committed to the Goal of this County from whence he escaped — soon after which I met with him in Virginia and had him secured and delivered to the Sheriff of Worcester to be sent to Baltimore but he again made his Escape

I am informed by a Letter of the fifth Instant ~~that~~ from Colo. T. Bayly one of the Delegates of the State of Virginia, that he is now confined at Richmond to take his Trial at their approaching Court for Treason committed against that State — Col. Bayly ~~to apprehend~~ informs that the Evidence many will be incomplete from the absence of Witnesses and that he will be discharged, unless this State should make a Requisition of his Person delivered up for a Trial — I shall only add that he was taken 2 years or more past in this Bay in Arms against us, and that he was one of the Number who boarded and took a Vessel in this Bay a little below Annapolis And submit to your Excellency the Propriety of making Application to the State of Virginia upon the Subject

I have the Honour to remain with the sincerest personal Respect & Esteem, your Excellency's Excellency's very devoted humble Servt

The Governor

Luther Martin

ARCHIVES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND.