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Honourable Gentlemen

I take the liberty to address you in behalf of two field officers of your State whose services and present circumstances intitle them to your particular notice. — the one is Colonel Price: that officer, during one year, laid under the weight of imputations as mortifying as they proved groundless. after a trial, long wished for, he was acquitted of every charge. — No sooner had he got over this misfortune, that he found himself superseded in his rank by the appointment of a Junior officer to that of Brigadier. — under those circumstances he could not, consistent with that pride, so necessary to keep up a true military spirit, act in his military capacity. — and as those reasons which preclude his reassuming his functions, can no more be removed, the good of the service dictates that such a provision may be made for him, as will induce him to resign a commission which he can not hold with

His Excellency the Governor
& the honourable the members
of the Council of Maryland

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