His Excy Thos Lee Esqr
Govr. Maryland

Sir

W. March 1782

My Brothers Son Osborn Sprigg has an inclination to make a Voyage down the Ohio to the New Orleans, it has been found by the experience of several Young Gentn. from Virga. Who have been to that Country, that great Attention has been paid to those that have had a Pass Port and a Letter in their favr. from y Govr. Virga. to Govr. Orleans, Several of them have by that Means Obtaind a Credit for Some of their Comodys Such as Furr &c. (which Sells exceedingly low there) by which they have made a Very Considerable Profit, Osborn has a Scheme of this Sort in View. and as he has not the honor of being Personally Acquainted with your Excy, he has Requested me to Apply to you in his behalf, Should you see nothing improper in the Application, I shall Esteem Your Excys indulgence a Very great favr., Osborn has been Several times to the Cainthucky Securing Lands. he appears to have an enterprizing turn, and I'd wish to give him every encouragement, your Excy may be Assurd of his being a prudent Young Man, and Should he get a Credit in that Country I will be answerable for any Circumstance that may happen in Consequence of what Your Excy may please to write in his favr. — I have the honor to be with Great Respect Your Most Obt. Servt.

Th Sprigg

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