

period: We have not hesitated to share every danger and difficulty in common with our brother officers and have also been fortunate enough to be of the Number of those who had the thanks of the Commander in-chief for our conduct in a General Battle. We have often been detached a great distance from the Grand Army upon hard and disagreeable Service; And necessarily on our marches incurred greater expences. When we took commissions in the present Regiment engaged in the common cause we were taught to believe that we could render as much service there as in any other Corps and by no means expected to be considered as aliens or excluded any benefit common to officers of the same State. We have seen a Resolution of Congress last spring calling for Returns from the additional Regiments that the States severally might have Credit for so many officers and soldiers and be accounted as part of their Quota, in consequence of which the States of Massachusetts Bay, Rhode Island & Connecticut with Pennsylvania have considered the officers & Soldiers from their States (in the same Regiment with ourselves) as part of their quota and given them all the benefits & privileges of the States Troops, from whence we were induced to believe that the State of Maryland not less generous than her sister states had made a similar Provision for us until undeceived by the officers of that Line on our arival at this Place. When the claims of our Country called us into the Field we chearfully left the Pleasures and indulgences of retirement to encounter the hardships & toils of war, not only to Protect the rights of mankind but our own individual Liberty, and now when the war is apparently drawing to a conclusion we shall reluctantly leave the work unfinished for which we have made so many sacrifices; but the advanced price of every necessary will not leave it in our Power to continue in a Service in which we are so much interested unless some Provision shall shortly be made for us. Relying on your Excellencys justice and liberality of sentiment We are Your Excellency's Most Obed^t H^l Serv^{ts}

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[Charless Hogg to Council]

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[Asks discharge from army on account of "distressed condition" of his "wife, pretty far advanced in her pregnancy," with her fifth child.]

[Ben Ford, Lt. Col. to the Honble Genl Gist]

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Sir We have not any Serjeants in the Sixth Regiment we Can recommend as Qualified for appointments of Officers. We have a Sufficient Number of Officers for the number of men now in the Regiment. by the Time the Regiment is recruited there is every reason to believe Young Gentlemen may be had that will do honor to the Appointment The Officers in the sixth Regiment beg that none of the serjeants from the line may be introduced into that Regiment as Officers