

& assist them as far as is in my Power & that it would give me the  
greatest Pleasure to find Myself able on any other Occasion to  
execute Your Excellency's Commands

To General Amherst. the 10<sup>th</sup> Feby 1759.

Air General Forbes having in a Letter which I lately received from  
him desired me to send Mr Prop (the Person that Victualled the Ma-  
ryland Troop. from the time that our Assembly declined to provide  
for their Support till they marched last Summer on the Expedition  
ag<sup>t</sup> Fort Duquesne) to Phila<sup>a</sup> in Order that the Affair might  
if Your Excellency shall be pleased to give such Directions be  
finally settled; & Mr Prop having prevailed on a Gent<sup>l</sup> that lives  
with me in the Character of my Secretary to accompany him I take  
the Liberty to introduce him to Your Excellency the rather because  
he is acquainted with all that passed between the Earl of Loudoun &  
Stanwicke or Gen<sup>l</sup> Forbes & Me about the Maryland Troops since the  
Dep<sup>t</sup> engaged to support them & will moreover be able to furnish  
Your Excellency or Gen<sup>l</sup> Forbes with Copies of any Let<sup>rs</sup> or Papers  
that may shew on what Footing our Troops served during the last Win-  
ter & on the late Expedition, in particular what promises were given  
both by the Earl of Loudoun & Gen<sup>l</sup> Stanwicke that Mr Prop should be satisfied  
If Your Excellency has any farther Commands or Instructions for me or  
shall think fit to favour me with any Letters to be laid before our Assem-  
bly when they meet I shall be glad to receive them when Mr Midway  
returns from Phila<sup>a</sup> & beg leave to assure I shall always be  
my utmost Endeavour to performe whatever Your Excellency may think  
fit to require or Command &