

in a different State we conceive ourselves not authorized to make such a solicitation but would recommend it to you to converse with our delegates in Congress on the subject you may conveniently do as you are on the spot, and get permission from that body in which we wish you success.

To Jesse Hollingsworth

We are, Sir,

with respect yours, &c.

January 11th 1777

Gentlemen, Captain Turnival complains and we apprehend very justly of the hard duty his men are obliged to do in keeping Guard in Baltimore Town over the publick stores, we have inclosed an order to Brigadier General Buchanan to station some of the militia in the Town and Neighbourhood so that the Guards may be properly relieved and the duty not too severe on either Matrosses or Militia. We request you would communicate the order to him, and in his absence give directions for the setting of Guards of Militia accordingly.

To Com. of C. for Baltimore County } We are, your most obedient, &c.
11th January 1777

Sir, It gives us a great deal of uneasiness to hear that Captains Conway's vessel is without a master and but for her hands; we were in expectation of hearing she was nearly loaded and ready to set sail. Howsoever as matters are so circumstanced we must do for the best, and therefore request you would immediately engage Captains Conway's brother as commander of the said vessel if you think him deserving and let him procure such hands he can, and have the vessel loaded as soon as possible. We are much obliged to you for your offer of doing all you can to forward the vessel, and rely on you accordingly. We would have you do for the best as if the vessel was your own.

To C. of C. Robert Flood & Alexandria.

We are Sir, yours &c.

January 11th 1777

Sir, We have heard from several hands some flying reports of extraordinary proceedings in the lower parts of your Brigade, particularly that some disaffected persons in Somerset and Worcester Counties had talked freely of erecting the Kings Standard and had been collecting themselves into Bodies for the purpose of forming an opposition to the American cause. We request you would write to some or all of the Colonels of the Militia in those Counties to inquire in the truth of acts alleged and if any persons are found guilty of the charge that they would take the necessary proofs before a magistrate and transmit the Depositions to the Council of Safety that they may act according to Law. To Brigadier General Hooper. We are Sir, yours &c.