Knox County Jan.y 7th 1803

Sir,

The nominations which this letter Accompanies may probably lack some thing of that Regularity in which Bus it is Requisite they should appear — If so I should take it Extreamely kind if the errors could be stated on the return of the papers, to enable me to heal the breach as soon as may be

I have been some service during the late Indian War, But very little in the militia, Neither have I been Conversant with men + ~~versed~~ versed in Militia duty — And the appointment, I lately Received was an unexpected Occurrence — therefore our Acts are merely what we could gather from the law, & nothing from practice

As the Regiment is Rather weak. than otherwise, we have thought proper to form

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proper to form part of the Regimental Staff from the line of Subalterns. as you may see from the nominations

Accept. My Gratefull acknowledgement for the honor you have pleased to bestow on me. And be assured that in all Cases, I shall exert my best abilities to serve my Country & yourself

John Ballinger

His. Ex.cy James Garrard Esq.r Ole

54th Reg.t Com.d

Davisburg K. February 5th 1803 paid (17)

Henry Toulmin Esquire

Secretary of State

Frankfort

39 ¾ Rd

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Dr. Sir poplar grove Jany 25th 1803

after my return home on Examining my papers found I had neglected part of my Business with you at the assembly Viz William Skinner Was Duely appointed Captain in the 39th Regt. of Militia By Aboard of officers agreeable to Law & I neglected to get his Commission, you will please be so obligeing as to Issue the Commission & Send it by post to Davis Burgh Directed to me & you will Very Much oblige Dr. Sir your most obt. Servant.

Young Ewing former
L. C. C. 39th Regt.

Hanny Toulmin Esqr
Secretary of State

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Lancaster 14th Feby 1863

Dear Sir

The Field officers of the 20th Regt. of the Kentucky Militia haveing agreed upon a Division of sd Regt. (the Boundaries of which is now sent to you) we Take the Liberty of Recommending Maj. John Harrison as a fit person to be Appointed as Lieut Colo Comt. of the new Regt. Bryan Letcher & William Smith as Majors to sd Regt & William Jennings as Majr. of the sd 20th Regt.

Yr. oo Servt
Edm Terrell L C C

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William Owsley
John Buford
Abner Baker
Stephen Perkins
Saml. Gill
William Price
Michael McNeely
Henry Bawling
Augustine Jennings
Tho Buford Jr.
Henry Buford
Alexr. Collier
Wm. M. Phelps
Isaac Atherson
James George
Arava Brown
Nathl. W. Brown

James Garrard
Governor of the State
of Kentucky
Frankfort

Garrard County Kentucky

Dear Sir

I am informed by Mas^r Harrison that it is your pleasure to divide the 26 Reg^ts of the Melitia of this state into two distinct Regts. And as the law ~~doth~~ donte make it my duty to recomend fit pursons to you for feald officers I hope you will excuse the fredom I have taken in recomending the followend Gentelmen Capt Benjaman Letcher has Commanded a troop of hors in Said Regt for Several years & has bin at Considarable expence & trobel in geting his troop aquipt. he has bin punctal in pora=ding at all our Regl days and also in purform=ing the necessary Evolutions in conjunction with the Reg^t, he has also made it a pointe

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to attend Both Betallions when the Betallions paraded seporate, and I think (and I hope it will meat with your appoban) when -- purfurmence is a bout to take place such Carectors aught to be taken notice of in preferrence to mean all together Unaquainted with Military duty

I would Recommend Capt. Wm Jennings for a Mgr. in the 2 Betallion 26 Regt. as I Consider him well Qallafide for that office And he will be the oldest Capt that Will be left in the bounds of that Regt.

from your Vesey humbel

Servant

Edm Terrill

Feby 15, 1803

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Col. Wapsholts
resignation
Gen.l
Joseph Lewis

Col. Wapshots
resig.n —

Sir

As I Shall in a few Days move out of the Regt & the Law will not let me Serve you will please to receive this as my resignation as my Commission is Misplaced Otherwise I Shou'd have returned it

I Am Sir Yr Hble Servt

Gen Joseph Lewis

G Wapshott Colo 4th Regt
I L M

23, March, 1803

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At a Meeting of the Field Officers of the 54th Regiment of Militia at the Town of Barbourville on Monday the 3rd day of January 1803, It was agreed to Nominate the following Gentlemen to his Excellency the Governor of Kentucky as fit Persons, to fill the offices of Captains & Subalterns in said Regiment

Leonard C. Shoemaker
George W. Craig
William Farris
Richardson Berndon
Eastham Ballinger
James Brittain
} Captains

Peter Ingle
James Stotts
George Farris
Ambrose Arthur
David Hogan
Edward Willburn
} Lieutenants

Thomas Mahan
Andrew Ferguson
James McNeill
Henry Woodson
Martin Comer
} Ensigns

I do approve the above Nominations

John Ballinger Lt. Colo.

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Recorded

And also at the aforesaid, meeting it was thought Expedient, to Raise one Company of Rifle men for each Batalion, And Thomas Laughlin & Richard Ballinger are nominated as Captains Joseph Johnson & Daniel Miller Lieutenants, & Joseph Duncan & Dillion Asher, Ensigns for the Companies aforesaid

John Ballinger Lt. Col.

Barbourville 3rd Jany 1803

And for the Regimental Staff I do Recommend James Stotts as adjutant Ambrose Arthur as Pay-master & David Hogan as Quarter master — By his Excellency most Obl. Servt.

Barbourville 3rd January 1803

John Ballinger
Lt. Colonel

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