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John Albert Hood
Lieutenant of Law
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Dear Sir
of Mr. Brown and Richard & Mott
from Geo. West

Sir

We have been obliged to detain

you longer on one day longer than we expected ^{owing}
to the ~~Mutability~~ ^{inconstancy} of Business. I now ^{very} ~~very~~ ~~much~~
give you the sentiments of ~~our~~ ^{our} ^{letter} of
the 17th of Inst. - We have fully considered the reasons
offered for devoting from the numerical Code of that
Military in the Performance of Duty of their full Capacity
in your Presence of Direction to exercise the Powers
requested: but we have ever found that a Disparture
from the Law has produced great Inconveniences &
Dispartures. This it may be dangerous to Military
of the County to leave their Harvest if it may meet with
sundry Appropriations at present - Should the next Call
be for actual Service with the Army ^{as they} or ^{or} ^{or}
we think the Difference of Service will become a Cause
of Complaint & perhaps occasion a Refusal - So that

upon the whole it will be best to proceed in
the usual course of law - We have upon this
Occasion also considered the Act of 17th and in
particular the 3rd Sect of an Act of Opinion that it
would be a ~~strait~~ strain upon it to extend the Powers
of Council on this Occasion so far as ~~to the~~
as Exigency ~~alluded to in the said Act~~ -

Council appears you call for the 2^d
Coys of the 3, 4, 5 & 6 Battalions of foot rather
in case of deficiency increase the number of Colours
than go out of the numerical Order in Numbers
of which we have often felt - With Respect to a
Guard for the Lancaster Troops - we have sent
you a Resolution by which you are empowered
in the Exigency to draw forth ¹²⁰ Men
for a Guard of foot Guard to continue over
the Business till relieved of this to furnish the

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Law at Lancaster - a Proposal of the four Guards
may answer Mr. Athol's Demand to recruit the vacancies
With Respect to Arms we have them not to ^{send to} find you
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has been a Guard to procure them but by some Means
or other they have hitherto proved unproductive

Your Observations with Respect to
the York Militia are very just & we shall pay
a proper Regard to them - If the ~~proposed~~ ^{proposed} ~~Business~~
had not come upon us by surprise we should have
ordered York to furnish the Guard of foot not to un-
mindful of their situation -

We doubt not in this Case of
Exigency you will do for the best - The Assembly
have not yet furnished us with the Means of giving
the Assistance we pay when they do, we shall cheerfully
apply for it - Includ your own the - Resolves

of the House with Respect to Military Units

I am Sir
Yours Obedt. Servant

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James Oglethorpe
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Secretary
of the
Georgia Trustees
of the Georgia Trustees