

Resignation of
James R Black
County of My Story in
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Belmont

George Town

Peter Robinson Esquire

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Newcastle April 10th 1844

Dear Sir

The enclosed Commission of Military Commissary, I did not feel myself at liberty either to accept or reject, until I could obtain a knowledge of the provisions of the resolution of the Legislature authorizing the appointment. I received a printed copy of the acts of the late Session on Thursday last and after ^{an} examination of the duties, security & required of the Commissary of Military Stores, by the resolution, I am compelled to decline the acceptance of that Commission.

My objections arise solely from the extravagant security required. The Legislature require that the Commissary shall give his own Bond with two sufficient and approved sureties unitable with him in the sum of \$5000 for the safe keeping, clearing &c. of the arms, and then provides that his disbursements shall be settled & allowed by the Legislature, and a compensation such as may be thought proper granted by them. I would not ask two of my friends to sign a Bond for me in the penalty of \$5000, unless under some very strong circumstances when the object would justify the request. Here the Legislature may or not allow those sums which the Commissary may be compelled in exercising his office to incur and he has no

certain compensation to indemnify himself for
such expenditures as he may make and which
afterwards may be disallowed. - Had a sum
been required in a lump sum & our good sen-
-ty been thought sufficient, I would without hesi-
-tation have taken the Commission during the
continuance of the War at least, and trusted
to being remunerated such moneys as I might
actually expend in the necessary duties of the office
but I cannot ask two of my friends to join me
in such a Bond as the Legislature has required
to be given, before entering on the duties of the Com-
-missioner's office, as I am strongly inclined to believe
that if either of those friends were to make a like
request in the same case, to me, that I should
decline complying with it.

Farewell

Respectfully

Do me the favor of
mentioning to the Governor
my reasons for declining
the acceptance of the Commission.

Your Friend

J. D. H. W. M.
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P. Robinson

Secretary of the State of Delaware

DELAWARE, SS.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE

To James R Black Esq



Dan Rodney

Know you, That we, reposing especial trust and confidence in your PATRIOTISM and FIDELITY, have constituted and appointed, and by these presents, do constitute and appoint *Commissary of Military Stores in* _____ the *Coun* _____ ~~Regiment of Militia~~: you are, therefore, carefully and diligently to discharge the duties of *Commissary of Military Stores* by doing and performing all manner of things thereunto and soldiers under your command, are hereby strictly charged and required to do as *Commissary* _____ so you are likewise to observe and follow the orders of your superior officers, according to the rules and discipline of War, in part as they shall be given in you. This commission to continue in force for seven years, unless sooner revoked. In testimony whereof, the Great Seal of the State is hereunto affixed.

Witness *Daniel Rodney* — Governor of the said State, at _____ day of *March* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and the *thirty eighth* — year of the Independence of the said State.

BY THE GOVERNOR,

Peter Robinson

Secretary of the State of Delaware.

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THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

To *James R Black Esquire*

Know you, That we, reposing especial trust and confidence in your PATRIOTISM, VALOUR, CONDUCT and FIDELITY, have constituted and appointed, and by these presents, DO constitute and appoint you to be *Commissary of Military Stores in* _____ the *County of Newcastle* _____ ~~Regiment of Militia~~: you are, therefore, carefully and diligently to discharge the duty of *Commissary of Military Stores* by doing and performing all manner of things thereunto belonging: and all officers and soldiers under your command, are hereby strictly charged and required to be obedient to your orders as *Commissary* _____ so you are likewise to observe and follow such orders and directions, from time to time, as you shall receive from the Governor of this State, for the time being, or from any of your superior officers, according to the rules and discipline of War, in pursuance to the trust reposed in you. This commission to continue in force for seven years, unless sooner lawfully annulled and made void. In testimony whereof, the Great Seal of the State is hereunto affixed.

Witness *Daniel Rodney* — Governor of the said State, at *Geo. Town* the *third* day of *March* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *fourteen* — and in the *thirty eighth* — year of the Independence of the said State.

OR
Secretary of the State of Delaware.

Commission of
Military Commissary

for

James R Black Esq^r

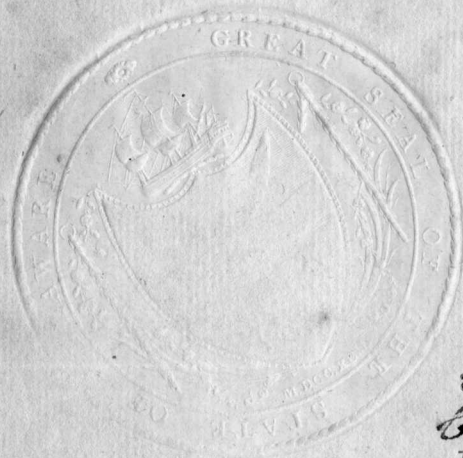
New Castle

Peter J Wright Esq^r
Captⁿ of a Troop of
the Cavalry attached
to the 7th Regiment
of Delaware Militia

1815 March 7th I do hereby resign the within
Commission — Peter J Wright

D. F. Douglass
Wilmington
& County Clerk

DELAWARE, SS.



THE STATE OF DELAWARE

To *Peter F. Wright Esquire*

Know you, That we, reposing especial trust and confidence in your PATRIO and FIDELITY, have constituted and appointed, and by these presents, do constitute *Captain of a company of Cavalry or Troop of Horse attached to the third Regiment of Militia*: you are, therefore, carefully and diligently to discharge th ~~_____~~ by doing and performing all manner of things thereunto b and soldiers under your command, are hereby strictly charged and required to b as *Captain* _____ so you are likewise to observe and follow su from time to time, as you shall receive from the Governor of this State, for the of your superior officers, according to the rules and discipline of War, in purs in you. This commission to continue in force for seven years, unless sooner lay void. In testimony whereof, the Great Seal of the State is hereunto affixed.

Witness *Daniel Rodney* — Governor of the said State, at *George* day of *March* — in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and the *thirty eighth* — year of the Independence of the said State.

BY THE GOVERNOR,

Peter Robinson

Secretary of the State of Delaware.

