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Left side - Lieut Colonel Smith
42 Reg. Harford
applying for arms &
Middle - Ninian Pinkney Esqr.
Clerk of the Council
Annapolis
Right Side - Havre de Grace, Md
April 19th 13

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Harford County April 18th 1813

To his Excellency the Governor }
of Maryland & his Executive Council }

Whereas by an Act of Assembly

passed at Novb. Session of Assembly 1807. Chapt 128
Section 6th it is provided that the several officers
from the Major General to the Commanders of Battal
ions to Call out the Militia under their respective
Commands; and shall order out the Militia under their
Commands When so required by two justices of the peace
near to any post where an invasion or Threatned
invasion has or is likely to take place and whereas
William B. Stokes and Jacob D. Giles Justices of the
peace as aforesaid have called upon me stating
they have sufficient proof there is at this time
a nessesity of an adequate force to be stationed
at the Town of Havre=de=Grace and its neighbor
hood. agreeable to said Demand. I have this
this day Called out the Militia of the 42nd Regt.
And shall proceed to station them at the more
favourable ^ place to Anoy the enemy and to protect the
property of Individuals _ I have also thought
it nessesary to call on the 40th Regt. and Extra
Battalion to be in Readiness if Wanting= also
agreeable to the said 6th Section= And being
desitute almost of all the munitions of War
and being presed by the Repeated requests
and pititions of the several Captains of the
Regiment I have the Honour to Command. _ to
pition your Excellency for a sufficient number
of Arms to make us an efficient force._ I
therefore beg leave to state and am Authorised
to say that Eight of the Captains besides

Captain Courtney Will immediately Bond
for

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and send on to any place of deposit or Arsenal that your Excellency and your Executire Council may set proper to give your Order or Orders for four hundred stand of Amrs for the use of the 42nd Regt. And if I may be Allowd. to speak I will venture to say that your Amrs will never be disgraced by the present 42nd Regt.

I am with the greatest Respect
and Esteem your Obt. Servt.
Wm. Smith Lieut. Col.
42nd Regt. M.M.

Mr. Ninian Pinkney
Sir

You will confer a favour of important use if you will Lay before his excellency and Council this letter. And if we should be so fortunate as to Receive an order for any quantity of Arms whatever ^ to the amount aforesaid your writing to me the particulats (that is) that sum to fill up the Bonds will, Such security as will be taken, the place where we will have to send for the arms. This satisfaction [] shall be returned with gratitude. As well as the arms we are in want of ammunition if we can Receive any it shall be; with the arms, property taken care of _ the powder and Lead in several stores in Harford is offered, all of which we obtain, I shall order in the Morning to be prepared into fixed Cartrages And the vallue thereof asserted

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I feel myself thankfull for past attention to the 42nd. Regt. And feeling a fond hope that you will continue the same. I subscribe myself

Yours Respectfully
Wm. Smith Lieut. Col.
42nd Regt. M.M.