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I have the honour to enclose a tender of my military services to the President, My relation and friend Mr Cleary formerly a Senator from Rhode Island, about the time my son obtained his commission, had before you a plan suggested by me for rendering effective the militia of the union. I have been a soldier 18 years, under these circumstances should it be deemed expedient to organize the volunteers which have been voted, I take the liberty to solicit your kind attention. My situation in life will warrant me in saying that I am actuated solely by a love of country and a wish to distinguish myself in the line of my mission under the auspices of an administration whose acts I so highly approve.

I have the honor to be Sir With the highest respect and consideration Your most obedient servant F. Newman Capt. Commandant 1<sup>st</sup> Troop Lt. 5<sup>th</sup> Brigade Maryland Militia

Grange Portobacco Maryland Feb 14, 1807