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To The Messrs. Corbin of Virginia, Maryland, and their collateral, to meet, as stated in the newspaper paragraph enclosed, on the 9th of this month at Barnums Hotel, Baltimore for the purpose of determining upon the steps to investigate their claims to the Jennings Estate under a notice elsewhere stated to have issued from the British government.

Gentlemen:

The newspaper paragraph I have enclosed, will I trust be my apology for the liberty I may seem to take in addressing this communication to you. Under the information it purports to give, I venture to submit to your consideration the name of my son, Benjamin Rush, Attorney and counsellor at Law, Philadelphia, as one among other names that will probably be before you for professional service in the matter of the above claim.

He resided several years in London as Secretary of the United States Legation while Mr Stevenson was our minister; during which time he had opportunities, of which he availed himself, of intercourse with prominent legal

men in England, and of frequenting
the courts of Law.

On his return to his profession
in Philadelphia, he was selected, through the
confidence and recommendation of Colonel
Aspinwall, late and long our consul in London
who knew him well there, to take charge of
claims for persons in Great Britain seeking to
recover property ~~in~~ or otherwise establish legal
rights in this country, including the agency in
part of the Penn state. To this branch of pro-
fessional business, my son's attention has been
much given.

I beg leave to add, that he has
been for several years and still is, the
counsel and solicitor of the British consulate
in Philadelphia; having been so employed
by successive incumbents of this leading
consulate in Philadelphia.

Should you deem him
worthy of your confidence I cannot
doubt but that you would find him
diligent and faithful, and I
should hope efficient, in fulfilling

whatever duties it might devolve
upon him.

I remain, with
great respect,
Gentlemen, your
obedient servant,

Richard Rush.

Sydenham, near
Philadelphia
August 2nd 1854.

1854. Aug^r 9. The above letter came into my possession
as Chairman of the Convention assembled at
Baltimore. Ed. Walsh