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James Wilson Esquise a Member of the Congress In Aliladelphia [Elizabeth Town, New Jersey, July 26, 1776]

Dear Sir,

I have lately rec.d a Letter from my Friend General Lee, in which he expresses his Anxiety to have something secured to him in Consequence of the Resolution of Congress at the time of his entring into our Service.

It is not to be expected, that he can receive or produce proof of his Estate being confiscated in England-but it is very probable that administration will entirely prevent his receiving any Benefit from it-His Bills have actually been protested, and I believe solely on account of the part he has taken.

He has purchased an Estate in Virginia, which is mortgaged to Mr. R. Morris for the purchase Money, about 5 or 6 Thousand Pounds-this sum at least and

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a thousand Pounds more, to carry on some Improvements the General is desirous of having advanced

His Request is so very reasonable that I hope Congress will immediately grant it, without waiting for a direct application from him-which, I think, he ought not to be compelled to make. If he ever recovers his Estate, this Money will only be lent to him by the Continent. If his Estate is lost, the Continent ought to indemnify him. I do most earnestly beg of You to advocate his Cause, and to speak to as many of your Friends in Congress as you conveniently can, on the subject. I should be exceedingly sorry if Congress should not act on the Occasion in such a Manner as to give the General entire Content, and alas to do him Honor. His Services deserve such a Behavior towards him

I have rec.d a letter from Mr. John Rutledge,

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in which he mentions his indefatigable Industry in our Cause

I am, Sir.

your very hble Sev.t

John Dickinson

Elizabeth Town July 26th 1776