

*To his most Gracious Majesty  
GEORGE THE THIRD, of the U-  
nited Kingdom of Great Brit-  
ain and Ireland, King, Defen-  
der of the Faith, &c. &c. &c.*

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

THE high and just renown which your Majesty has acquired, during a long and glorious reign, by his exemplary conduct, justice and impartiality, and the benign disposition with which your Majesty receives the representations and complaints of the lowest of his subjects, will plead the excuse of a poor individual, who has long and faithfully served your Majesty, and duly discharged the important duties of his humble station; whom your Majesty has dismissed from his service, as being no longer worthy of bearing your Majesty's Commission.

In laying my case at your Majesty's feet, I cannot help expressing my conviction of the justice of your Majesty's intentions in dismissing me from your Majesty's service, but your Majesty will permit me to add, that had my case been represented in its true light, and had your Majesty had before him, the whole of the proceedings of the Court Martial, as is required by the Articles of War, your Majesty in all probability would have considered my conduct in a far different light; this is one of the motives which induces me to make public the proceedings of the Court Martial, as far as in my power, and the reiterated acts of injustice and oppression, which have been committed against me.