

not only by the heavy loans I was obliged to contract, but by perceiving myself arrested in all my affairs which it was moreover of the last importance to me to prosecute. He then told me, for the first time, that he had over three months ago addressed several questions to the King's Attorney General, without the decision of which nothing could be determined for me. I requested that he would allow me to use his name to urge an answer, and he permitted me. I forthwith prepared the Memorial to be seen below, (under Letter B.) which I presented next morning to the said Attorney General, and in the evening I addressed him the note copy of which is under Letter C. I was informed ten or twelve days after, that his answer had reached the Bureau. On the first day of July I was sent for to the office when Milord the Earl of Hills-borough informed me, in presence of all the Lords assembled and on their part: "That I might return home as soon as I pleased without entertaining the least uneasiness regarding my two Seignories beyond the limits of the Government of Quebec. By means of the orders they should transmit to the Governour of New York to which Province His Majesty had been pleased quite recently to annex those parts not settled by His Proclamation of the 7<sup>th</sup> October last, they should instruct him not to concede any land either in my Seignories or their vicinity, until their situation was perfectly understood; that I may be assured that in whatever part of the King's obedience any of my property may be situate, I should possess and enjoy them equally as those included within the limits of the Government of Quebec"—and terminated with the most gracious compliments for Mde. de Lotbiniere and the rest of my family. These orders have been addressed and arrived at the time in the Province: The letter which Lieutenant Governour Cadwallader Colden did me the honour to write me on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September 1765, proves it beyond dispute.

Since my arrival in this Country I have done every thing in my power, as well with the said Sieur Colden as with Sir Henry Moore, to whom I presented on Lake Champlain my original titles. I constantly endeavored to interest in my behalf all those with whom I was acquainted, residents of the said Province, who