

Capt. (Maj. of Brigade) G. I. Rogers

Truro 19th Decr 1841

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Sir

In order on this occasion to trespass as little upon you as possible I shall relate without further preamble the cause of this address -

You will perceive by the subjoined copy of a letter I have received from the Commander in Chief's Office that my friend Genl Graham has made application that I may be appointed Deputy Judge Advocate at Cadix and as this situation has been formerly held by Field Officers it appears to me that some advocacy might be taken of the appointment, provided Sir, you feel yourself at liberty to interest yourself in my favor at this moment,

There may perhaps be some difficulty in obtaining a full majority but possibly it could be so managed that by coupling it with this appointment I could be gazetted to the Breach Rank of Major in the Army, this is so desirable a circumstance that I would not let slip the moment to acquaint you of it, and should you Sir, see it possible to turn it to my benefit, I shall ever feel most grateful for your endeavors, - I have been near seventeen years an Officer and near seven a Captain and I must without vanity tell I can call upon every Officer under whose command I have been to bear testimony to my Deal, Energy & Intelligence at all times in His Majesty's Service, and but for the unfortunate circumstance of the loss of my beloved Father while I was abroad & a period when I was so young as to be unacquainted

To Colonel McMahon

with

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such of his connections as might have been useful
to me by which I continued so many years a
Subaltern; I should have had the Rank of Major
long since, — My getting forward in the Service
is every thing to me & many other Officers
Junior Captains to me & some years my Junior
in the Army have got the Rank before me, and
without presuming Sir, to dictate to you, perhaps
were you to state to His Royal Highness the Prince
Regent with my most devoted & humble respects,
the situation in which I stand, the support without
any sort of Income out of the Army of my Mother
& my wife & five very young children His Royal
Highness out of His Gracious and well known
benevolence might be induced to give His
Gracious commands that I might be promoted
to this step, which I have so much at Heart —

My going out to Cadix with the Rank of Field
Officer would be attended with the best
Consequences to me as my kind Friend Genl
Graham says that the situation he now offers
me is the only one vacant but that his
intentions are to employ me as opportunity
offer not as a Judge but as a Soldier,

My best Friend Sir James Craig is in Canada
otherwise his efforts would not be wanting in
this as in all former instances to serve me, he
having most particularly interested himself
with His Royal Highness the Duke of York to
procure me promotion, in his absence therefore
I lose his interference in my behalf, His former
services will however ever command my
warmest gratitude & respect, & I shall ever
feel happy in his Recommendation's of my

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deserts, whose military Character is so highly & so
justly appreciated, In his absence I think I might
take the liberty to say that Sir John Hope & Sir
John Sherbrooke would not hesitate to speak
favorably of me, Names which stand too high
to need any encomium from an obscure
Individual like me, General Browning
knows me a very little & I am also known at
the Adjutant General's Office. There are also Genl
Lord Dalhousie, Honble Wm Stewart, Montresor
& John Murray, the latter of whom I am with
at present.

I could Sir say much more to
endeavor to induce you to exert yourself
on this occasion to serve me, but that I fear
to trespass too much upon your valuable
time which I am aware must be at the
present fully taken up with subjects of a
nature much more interesting, & with the
hope of your pardon for this Submission and
of speedily having the honor of hearing from
you (until which time I shall not answer
the letter from the Commander in Chief's
Office) — I remain, with the greatest
Respect —

Sir
Your most obedt
Very hble Servt
G. I. Rogers Capt
18th Foot, B.

(Copy)

Horse Guards 16th Feby 1811

Sir

I am directed by the Commander
in Chief to acquaint you that Lt General
Graham has recommended you for the
situation of Deputy Judge Advocate
to the Troops serving at Cadix and
which Sir David Dundas has approved
of - Should you therefore wish to
accept of the Appointment His
Excellency desires that you will
proceed to Cadix without delay,

(Signed) St. Jovens

To
B. Maj Rogers
Launceston