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I have presumed to make some trifling
alterations with my Consent in the Draught
which your Majesty has been so good as
to send me, which I submit to your
Majesty's consideration; In every other
respect, the Draught is in my poor Judg-
ment perfectly right.

I perfectly agree with your
Majesty that it would not be proper
to take a Step of this sort till from
the State of Affairs it becomes abso-
lutely necessary; This may not pos-
sibly be the Case even yet, but it is
right to be prepared, as such an
Event is certainly nearer than one
could have expected, owing to the
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strange conduct of some of your Majesty's present servants in the Hands & Dispositions that subsist between Part of them. But if a Transaction of this sort is to come forward, I would submit to your Majesty whether it should not go through the Hands of the Lord Chancellor, if may be proposed to Lord North, Lord Fox or Lord Weymouth, but if they are not press'd, I think they will all be desirous of declining it.

My reasons for making use of the Chapel of the Lord Chancellor are these.

He is from his Office & Abilities a more respectable Character than the others.

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to be a witness of your Majesty's Con-
duct & Intentions & to wear them to the
World.

He is more attach'd to your Ma-
jesty's Principles; He is, I conceive more
attach'd to the present Administration than any
of the others; For all which reasons He
is more likely to support them, & by
your Majesty's Authority & Opinions, &
from the Propriety of His Nature, He is
better able to contend with parts of the
Opposition & more likely to have some
Authority over them.

He will keep the Party
up from the Hands of little Agents &
those who love to intrigue.

He is upon the whole
better with your Majesty's present Mi-
nisters than any of the others.

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I am more inclined to
this Idea, as I recollect that in a si-
milar situation the late King was ad-
vised to employ the late Lord Hard-
wick in a Business of this sort.

For these reasons I hum-
bly submit to your Majesty the Propri-
ety of writing immediately to the Lord
Chancellor a kind & confidential letter
which will prepare him for a Business
of this Nature; your Majesty may
point to him your present Inconveniences
& Difficulties & may tell him that his
Character & the Credit of his Principles
& former Opinions are as much at Stake
as your own.

I hope your Majesty will par-
don this Freedom from
your Majesty's
Dutiful Subject
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