

Draft to the Arch Bp of Canterbury  
Lucena House, May 6<sup>th</sup> 1782.

My Good Lord, The best measures if not duly attended to frequently  
serve as precedents to those of a very different tendency, to do good and  
at the same time obviate bad consequences is the cause of my giving  
you this trouble, not to delay you unnecessarily I shall briefly state  
the business I wish to entrust to your care. I have learnt that  
D<sup>r</sup> Balguy whose diffidence of his health made him the last year  
decline being promoted to the See of Gloucester labours under the  
misfortune of a severe complaint on his breast which at times  
disables him from going through the strict Residences required by  
the Statutes of the Chapter of Winchester, and that he has <sup>not</sup> as  
yet been obliged to renew his Attendance; I wish therefore  
in the case of so valuable a Scholar as well as Man you would  
consult the Bishop of Winchester whether he has any objection  
to my granting D<sup>r</sup> Balguy a Dispensation from these strict  
Residences; I am certain he will attend as much as he  
possibly can, but that will relieve his mind from the anxiety  
of being obliged to recommence his Residence if confined during  
that attendance by illness, and you must be sensible of the wonderful  
effect the mind has on the body, and that probably this indulgence  
will enable him not to go through his Duty without using it.  
His being decreed a Bishoprick, and his talents are not common  
therefore I should hope the addition of the Dispensation being <sup>granted</sup> till  
you the Province of the Province have consulted the Bishop of these  
~~with the Province~~ <sup>from being a precedent in point</sup> ~~and~~ <sup>the</sup> Residences of the Clergy  
~~which is an~~ <sup>this indulgence</sup> ~~shall~~ <sup>shall</sup> ~~ever~~ <sup>will</sup> ~~wish~~ <sup>wish</sup> to be the foremost in preventing

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