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George the Second, by the Grace of God, King of Great Britain, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith &c. To Our dearly beloved Son William Duke of Cumberland Greeting: We reposing especial Trust and Confidence in your Loyalty, Courage and good Conduct, do, by these presents Constitute and Appoint you to be Colonel of Our Second Regiment of Foot Guards, called the Coldstream, whereof Richard Earl of Scarborough deceased was late Colonel and likewise to be Captain of a Company in Our said Regiment. You are therefore to take Our said Regiment as Colonel and the said Company as Captain into your Care and Charge, and duly to Exercise as well the Officers as Soldiers thereof in Arms, and to use your best Endeavours to keep them in good Order and Discipline; and We do hereby Command them to Obey you as their Colonel and Captain respectively, and you are to observe and follow such Orders and Directions from time to time as you shall receive from Us or any your Superior Officer, according to the Rules and Discipline of War, in pursuance of the Trust We hereby repose in you. GIVEN at Our Court at St. James's the Twenty Third day of April 1740, in the Thirteenth Year of Our Reign



Entered with the Secretary at War.  
R. Arnold.

Entered with the Commissary General.  
28<sup>th</sup> April 1740.  
Geo. Huxley

By His Majesty's Command  
John Newcastl

His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland Colonel of the Second Regiment of Foot Guards.



His Royal Highness The Duke  
of Cumberland, Colonel of the  
Second Regiment of Foot  
Guards.

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