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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 Most 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 First Regiment of Foot Guards, whereof Sir Charles Mills, 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 other 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 Eighteenth day of February 1744 in the Fifteenth Year of Our Reign

Entered with the Secretary at War.

Phil. Baker

Entered with the Commissary General Feby of 22 1744

J. J. Powell

By His Majesty's Command
John Newcastle

His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, Colonel of the First Regiment of Foot Guards

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