

Duke of Gloucester  
suffered November 12  
December 1765

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Sir

I have received a very melancholy letter from M<sup>rs</sup> Allen. She desires me to lay, in the most respectful manner, her distressed situation, before your Majesty. Her Daughter M<sup>rs</sup> Swanton, is left in very unhappy circumstances. The Admiral having served the whole war, which drew on great expences upon him, and being since that very indolent, is dead without having made a Will, and the very little there is left, is all in such confusion that M<sup>rs</sup> Swanton will have but little to depend upon. She therefore most humbly implores your Majesties goodness, for some small pension.

I hope Sir you will forgive my  
troubling

troubling you upon this subject: I thought  
it might be more agreeable to you than for  
her to have sent a formal petition.

I am Sir,

Your most Dutiful  
Subject & Brother  
William.

Leicester House  
¼ past 4<sup>o</sup> clock  
Sunday