

A. Le. to Ed. North

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Richmond Lodge
Nov. 5th 1770.

Lord North, A subject of a most private and delicate kind obliges me to loose no time in acquainting You that my two Brothers have this day applied to me on the difficulty that the folly of the youngest has drawn him into; the affair is too publick for You to doubt but that it regards the Lawsuit; the time will expire this day Swaight when he must pay the damages and the other expences attending it; he has taken no one step to raise the money, and now has applied to me as the only means by which he can obtain it promising to repay it in a Year and half; I therefore promised to write to You though I saw great difficulty in Your finding so large a sum as thirteen thousand pounds in so short a time; but their pointing out to me that the prosecutor would certainly force the House which

would at this licentious time occasion disagreeable
reflections on the rest of his family as well as on him;
I shall speak more fully to You on this Subject on
Wednesday, but the time is so short that I did choose
to delay opening this affair till then, besides I am
not fond of taking persons on delicate affairs
unprepared; what ever can be done ought to be done
and I ought as little as possible to appear in so
very improper a business.

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George J.