

To Samuel Hood

August 26. 1778

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I want words to express the grateful sentiments of my heart, for your Majesty's transcendent goodness, by honoring me with an opportunity of being known to Major General DeBude and Lieutenant General Trétay, and of shewing them your Majesty's yard here; as I also do in a more particular manner, for your Majesty's most gracious attention, to the letters, I took the liberty of offering to your royal consideration; and with the utmost gratitude & submission, I entreat leave to subscribe myself

your Majesty's

most dutiful servant

Portsmouth
Dockyard
August 26. 1778

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