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Memorial for

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Brighton 17th April 1811-

To the Honorable the Court of Enquiry now sitting in the
Town of Brighton.

The undersigned Gentlemen of the Town of Brighton,
understanding that a Memorial has been presented to the
Commander in Chief of His Majesty's forces, praying that
the South Western Militia might be removed from the Town:
& that in consequence of that Memorial, a military inquiry
has been instituted on the subject, cannot refrain from
attending themselves for a moment upon the attention
of the Court: This it would ill become them to refer to the
various taxes which gave rise to the Inquiry, yet they
wish, they trust, be excused from adverting to the memo:
rial itself, which (the Population of the place considered)
is not sanctioned by the names of many of the Inha:
bitants of the Town of Brighton: as to themselves, the
undersigned do most solemnly declare, that no appli:
cation was ever made to them for that purpose.
Be that however as it may, in justice to the Regt:
as well as to themselves, & the greatest part of
the Inhabitants of Brighton, the undersigned feel
themselves at this moment called upon to state,

which they most cordially & earnestly do, to this honorable Court, that from their knowledge of the conduct of that Corps, it has not only invariably conducted itself without reproach, but in a manner deserving the most public approbation. — The Officers without exception have uniformly evinced the highest sense of honor & decorum, accompanied on the one hand with the most liberal attentions towards the Subalterns, & on the other the strictest discipline from those subjected to their command. They feel also an equal pleasure in declaring, that no Body of men, civil or military could possibly demean themselves with more regularity & order, with more decency or propriety than the Privates have in general observed towards all descriptions of persons in the Town of Brighton. This statement the result of knowledge & experience is with the greatest deference submitted to the consideration of those, who have been called upon to

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make the Enquiry which has been directed; with this assurance that no previous communication has in any manner taken place on the subject with any Officer attached to the Corps.

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| (Signed) | W Burke — M.D. |
| C. Cunningham | Asst. Board Surgeon |
| M. Day | Walter Barnall |
| J. Pedder | R. D. Bushman |
| J. Lye | John Marsh |
| J. W. Bates | P. L. Mighill |
| Asst. Ashew | |
| R. Blusham M.D. | |
| W. A. Ashby | |
| B. Anderson M.D. | |
| W. Phillimore | |
| David Webb | |
| M. J. Trinity M.D. | |
| W. Hill | |
| Edm. Tooth | |

Small note attached "Major Anderson"
 "Pres. of the Court of Enquiry"
 L. H. H.

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