

Count of Roden

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Sir

I beg leave to express the unbounded Gratitude I feel from a Communication this day received by Lord Jocelyn from Mr. Perceval stating your Royal Highness's condescension in nominating him to a Situation in your Royal Highness's Household, which has made me most happy: When I took the liberty of trespassing on your Royal Highness's time, by my humble application in a letter to your Royal Highness; which I forwarded to Colonel Mr. Mearns; I expressed the utmost of my Ambition was, to have my Son placed about your Royal Highness's Person; you have condescended to gratify my wishes to the utmost extent; and while I exist, I shall ever feel most gratefull; and trust that the remainder of my life will prove, that I shall never in any Instance be a moment posse sight of the unalterable Respect & Devotion I have ever felt & must feel in any Object where your Royal Highness is concerned.

I have only only to add I fervently

trust your Royal Highness will find Lord
Jocelyn worthy of the Situation in which you have
been graciously Pleas'd to Place him, and am
certain he will feel equal Gratitude with

Sir
your Royal Highnesses
are most devoted
most obliged, & most
Humble Gratefull Servant

Roden