

Camp of the 2^d Maine Regt
 Harrison's Landing Va
 July 10th 1862

Genl Hodgdon

Dear Sir

Having been advised by my friend to endeavor to obtain an appointment of Field Officer in one of the new Regiments now being formed or to to be formed in our State, and having no intimate acquaintances in Annapolis to bring forward my case in its proper light before the Governor. I take the liberty to respectfully solicit your aid in presenting to his Excellency the enclosed recommendations and say to him that should he see fit to promote me, my highest aim will be to care for the welfare of the command and to sustain the honor and reputation of our noble State who has done so much towards quelling this accursed rebellion.

Hoping to hear from you as early as convenient I am with respect
 your obt Svt

Daniel F Barrent
 Capt Co H 2^d Maine Regt

P.S. I believe I am the oldest Capt in commission from the State

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