

Mount Vernon Mar 15. 1789

Sir,

Yesterdays Post brought me your favor of the 7th. — In answer to it, I will briefly observe. — That if the Administration of the New Government should inevitably fall upon me that I will go into office totally free from pre-engage-ments of every nature whatsoever. and shall in recommendation to appointments, ^{with} make justice & the public good, my sole objects. — Resolving to pursue this rule, invariably I will add nothing more on the subject of your application until the time shall arrive when the merit and justice ~~of every claim~~ ^{shall appear} — ~~then you may~~ ^{then you may} the matter ~~shall be presented to me, the principle above mentioned shall be~~ ^{shall be} ~~governed by my judgment~~ ^{governed by my judgment} ~~and the nature of the case~~ ^{and the nature of the case} shall have their due operation.

I am Sir, Your most Obedt^o
and most A^{ff}ble Serv^t
G. Washington

Mr. R. V. ...

and Mrs. F. G. Allen

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To
Doct^r. Fred. Phile
15th. Mar. 1789

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Doct. Fred. White

15th Jan. 1789