

Jonathan Trumbull Esquire, Governor, and Commander in Chief, of the State  
of Connecticut, in America

To Andrew Ward Jun<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> Greeting

Whereas You are appointed by the General Assembly of said State to be Brigadier General of the second Brigade of Militia in said State. Preparing special Injunct and Confidence in your fidelity Courage Care and good Conduct, I Do by Virtue of the Laws of this State, constitute and appoint You to be Brigadier General of said Brigade. You are therefore to take said Brigade into Your Care and Charge as their Brigadier General, and carefully and diligently to discharge that Care and Trust, in Ordering and exercising them both Officers and Soldiers in Arms, according to the Rules and Discipline of War; Keeping them in good Order and Government, and Commanding them to obey You as their Brigadier General for the service of this State, and they are commanded to obey You accordingly, And You are to Conduct and lead forth the said Brigade or such part of them as You shall from Time to Time receive Orders from me, or from the Governor of this State for it. And You are to pursue and destroy by force of Arms, and by all other Ways and means, all the Enemies of this State, who shall at any Time hereafter in a hostile manner attempt or endeavor to Invasions Detriments or Annoyances of this State. And You are to observe and obey such Orders and Instructions as from Time to Time You shall receive from me or from any other Superior Officers pursuant to the Trust reposed in You, and the Facts of this State.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of this State at Hartford this fifth Day of June  
Anno Domini 1777

J. Trumbull

By His Excellency's Command  
George Wyllis Secy