

Amboy January 9th 1786

Dear Sir, At the request of Mrs Johnston I
must once more ~~in~~ apply to you about her
Demand on Mrs Beckmans Legacy - expecting
your L^{ts} Governor's presence at New York
requesting your usual friendly interposition
on that point - Mrs Johnston thinks her and
her sister Mrs Throckmorton's situation rather
particularly hard - as the other Legacies under
that will, have received their dividend, meaning
Mrs Parker, her husband Mary Johnston, Mrs
Stephen Skinner, and William Deyrol, and
they two, the representatives of Gistryde Bar-
barie are left out - Mrs Johnston in parti-
cular, having a large family of children
to rear wishes to have very little matter, rea-
dy her due, applied to that immediate pur-
pose - and ^{her} hers and her sister's interest is rather
disappointed since her marriage with James Throck-
morton; Mrs Johnston desires her proportion
to be settled separately; and to have her propor-
tion of the late Gistryde Barbaries share ac-
mitted to her in cash - or if Mr. Pierre Costard
can not pay the money to you. That he will
procure her credit in New York, to obtain the
amount, in such necessary articles as are in

in reality wanted for the support of our grow-
ing family; you must know we have seven
children, and that a trifle is not sufficient
to cloth and feed that Number - All we ask
is, that you will be kind enough to apply
to Mr Cottland, for the payment of what
is absolutely Mrs Johnston's Demand, and -
he is in honor bound to discharge by the
Tenor of Mrs Beckman's Will, and further
more, as he or some of his connections have
paid off the other Legacies, he is in duty
bound, to see justice done to the two or-
phan Children of his late relation Gistry's
Barberv. I do not know upon mature
reflection Mr Cottland, can get over the
marking my Wife and Mrs Throckmorton
the two only black sheep of that
Family - your kind interposition may
do those lost Sheep justice - ~~and~~
our best regards attend Mrs Cochran and
the good family. believe me with
great respect to be yours sincerely

John L. Johnston
Doctor John Cochran

Doctor Cochran

Letter of Doctor

Cochran, from

John Johnson

at Aunt Beth

Marie Lott

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