

The People of the State of New-York, by the Grace of God, Free and Independent:

TO *Pierre Van Cortland Junior Esquire* GREETING:

We, reposing especial trust and confidence, as well in your Patriotism, Conduct and Loyalty, as in your Valor, and readiness to do us good and faithful Service, ~~Have~~ appointed and constituted, and by these Presents, ~~Do~~ appoint and constitute you the said *Pierre Van Cortland Junior Brigadier General of the Brigade of Infantry in the county of Westchester lately commanded by Thomas Carpenter Esquire*

You are therefore to take the said *Brigade* into your charge and care as *Brigadier General* thereof, and duly to exercise the Officers and Soldiers of that *Brigade* in arms, who are hereby commanded to obey you as their *Brigadier General* and you are also to observe and follow such Orders and Directions as you shall from time to time receive from our General and Commander in Chief of the Militia of our said State, or any other your superior Officer, according to the Rules and Discipline of War, in pursuance of the Trust reposed in you; and for so doing, this shall be your Commission, for and during our good pleasure, to be signified by our Council of Appointment.



In Testimony whereof, *We* have caused our Seal for Military Commissions to be hereunto affixed:

WITNESS our trusty and well-beloved *DANIEL D. TOMPKINS*, Esquire, Governor of our said State, General and Commander in Chief of all the Militia, and Admiral of the Navy of the same, by and with the Advice and Consent of our said Council of Appointment, at our City of Albany, the *fourth* Day of *February* in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and *Twelve* and in the *Thirty-sixth* Year of our Independence.

Passed the Secretary's Office, the }
8th day of *May* 1812 }

Anthony Lamb Dep Secretary.

Daniel D. Tompkins

Original of
State of New York

State of New York
before me appeared Pierre Van Cortlandt
and took Subscribed to the Oath required by
Law as a Magistrate General.

Sam Wyck
Mayor of the
City of New York

In Testimony whereof I have caused my Seal to be hereunto affixed:
WITNESSES our trusty and well-beloved DANIEL D. TOMPKINS, Esquire, Governor
of our said State, General and Commander in Chief of all the Militia, and Chairman of the Navy of
the same, and with the advice and consent of our said Council of Appointment, at our City of
Albany, this 8th day of May, 1812.

Daniel D. Tompkins

Secretary

Passed the Secretary's Office the
8th day of May, 1812.