

December 21st 1796

E. Towne Esq. Care of Mr. S. P. S. Esq.

This is to inform you that Mr. John Ross is appointed
 to have his Patent for his Land, which you have put in
 Claim as Assignee you must remember My Calling on
 you last April is with the Matter for you & the
 other Jonathan Dayton Esq. to collect, he informed Me
 he called several times to see you but had not the
 opportunity of this I determined to get into the City
 to show that I had made Claim in good time he since his
 Land was not himself & his Discharge is Deposited in the
 War Office & you can see his Order in the Secretarys
 Office for the State, & you can call on the Hon. J.
 Dayton & he hath his Affidavit Certified by Attorney
 with your seeing his Writings I doubt not but you
 will be satisfied to give an Order on the Secretary
 to Deliver the Patent to the Hon. J. Dayton the
 said Prop. in doing you will oblige your friend
 & Humble servant

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