

Mr. Nicholson

Sir

Trench Hamock 9th Jan^y 1799

As I stand in Great Necessity & my Wife as bad as
 I am for want of shoes, I w^l be Very much Oblig^d to you if
 you w^d be so kind as to send by the Bearer as much Calfoot
 Hide Skin with Sole Leather as will make my family
 shoes, will go to the Land early in the Spring and hope
 you will not forget to send the Leather and as my present
 money comes due the first day of March Next you can
 stop it and pay y^r self, if the Soldiers Land is to be drawn
 I hope you will act for me, I was Corporal of the late first
 Pennsylvania Compt^{ts} Reg^t in Captain Humphreys
 Compt^{ts} and by so doing you will Vastly Oblige
 me who is y^r Very Humbl^e Serv^t

John L. Smith
Mark

Donation Land

July 26th 1799

Power of Attorney
 John Smith to James
 Dr. Brauford to draw
 Donation Land

State of Maryland & County of Prince Georges
 I, James Dr. Brauford, do hereby certify that James Dr. Brauford
 on my former that James Dr. Brauford
 of the County of Prince Georges in the State of Maryland
 has signed a certain Deed of Conveyance for the County of
 Prince Georges by him given at Charles City and
 and to be published by him given at Charles City and
 credit to said Deed to be given or made in favor of James Dr.
 Brauford

James Dr. Brauford