

**John Robinson to George Washington, April 1756,
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FROM THE HON. MR. SPEAKER ROBINSON.

[Indorsed by Washington— “April 1756.”]

DEAR SIR/

I am under some difficulty in giving my Advice in your present situation, as I think your presence may be necessary in both Places, tho from the complaints I have heard from some Gent, who perhaps know nothing of the Matter, of the Behaviour of some of the Officers at the Fort,¹ and the Opinion they have that things would be conducted much better if you was present, and the Apprehensions many of them are under at this time from the Enemy, which I know would be considerably lessened if you was with the Forces, I am induced to think it will be best for you to proceed up, as I am afraid it will be some days before the Assembly will come to a Resolution in what manner to Act, and I am persuaded the Committee will excuse your not attending when your presence may be necessary above, I would advise you however to wait on the Govn. and have his sentiments on the Matter I am

Dr Sir Your Affect. Friend and Servant JOHN ROBINSON

1 “Yesterday I received yours by Mr. Kirkpatrick, and am sorry to hear of the reflections upon the conduct of the officers. I could wish their names had been particularized that justice might be done to the innocent and guilty;

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for it is extremely hard, that the whole corps should suffer reproaches for the inadvertence and misconduct of a few.”—Washington to Robinson, April 24, 1756.