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To the Judges of the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

I Alexander Murray, to whom the annexed Writ is directed, do in obedience thereto respectfully return and say, that by an Act of Congress entitled, "An Act authorizing the employment of an additional naval force", approved the 31. of January, 1809, it is enacted (among other things) that the President of the United States be authorized and empowered in addition to the number of petty Officers, able seamen, ordinary Seamen and Boys at that time authorized by Law, to employ to be engaged and employed as soon as may be, three hundred five hundred able seamen, ordinary seamen, and boys, who shall be engaged to serve for a period not exceeding two years: - That in pursuance of instructions from the President of the United States, under the authority of the above Act of Congress, a certain John Connor (in the annexed writ called John Lewis Connor) was engaged, in due and lawful form, to serve for a period not exceeding ~~two years in the Navy of the United States,~~ ^{from the} day of ~~the~~ ^{the} 1st of May last: - That the said John Connor is detained in the service of the United States, under the authority of the said Act of Congress, and in pursuance of the said engagement of the said John Connor: - And that I have here in Court the said John Connor (who is under my command in the service of the United States) to do and be subject to, whatsoever the Court shall consider in that behalf.

A. Murray Law. Officer

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PA Historical & Museum Commission

PENNSYLVANIA, ss.

City of Philadelphia

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, To Alexander Murray Esquire Commanding the our body in the

GREETING: We command you that the body of John Lewis Connor

in ~~your~~ your custody, as it is said, detained, by whatsoever name he said, ~~John~~ may be ~~charge~~ ^{delivered} under safe and secure conduct, together with the

day and cause of his ~~being~~ being taken and detained, you have before the Honourable the Justices of our Supreme Court at Ben

whatsoever our same ~~with~~ ^{with} ~~certificat~~ ^{certificat} Esquire, Doctor of Laws, Chief Justice of our said Supreme Court,

WITNESS the honourable ~~Esquire~~ ^{Esquire} in the year of our LORD MDCCCXII.

Allowed Per

ForWARDED

[Handwritten signature]

Episcopus
of Commanding
Post of Philad^a
of

a minor under the

and Court of Penn^a
of Del^a & M^a

July 1785
the Court remains
Hurray

Peterson remanded 18 July 1812.