Dr Sir

I have written you twice without any answer — the latter letter to you regarded a Case in this Quarter of Cobbet at Cobbet with which I understand you are made acquainted — Doctor Howard has effected the Object of a Comm from the Sup Court of this District — But on the suit coming on here the whole subject of the Comm & Testimony of Wilson & of Mr Wm Burford J.P. was declared a Forgery — I enclose you the affidavit of a Gentleman upon which & others the suit was continued — it seemed very strange that Dr Howard could procure what they declared impossible to be effected — I have used the freedom of making you a Commissioner in this Case & will thank you to take the testimony of Mr Burford & of Mr Wilson & to enclose it to me at St Francisville or by the Bearer at St Helena —

accept I pray you of the Sincere Assurance of my Highest respect & best Wishes —

[signature]

28 May 1812
St Helena
W Florida

Excuse the want of Paper & bad pen
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Testimony of
Mr Wilson for
Board to
be taken at the
House of Jas
Calder Esq on
the 2nd inst
on the 6 July
next: and Letter
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1812.

Col James Collier

My Dear Sir

I am happy to inform you that at the Request of W. S. Hamilton we have purchased a plantation on the Bayou Sara, near the Line of Demarcation W. F. — he promises to resign whenever he can with Honor in these times & what is ~~greatly~~ gratifying to me he has renounced the idea of Federalism which he sucked in at Chappel Hill —

at present I use the freedom of troubling you about the testimony of a Man of the Name of Wilson in a Case in the Sup Court & Parish Court in behalf of a Mrs Cobbet who is charged with poisoning of her Husband — May I beg of you to see Mr Buford who is appointed a Comm^r by Judge Mathews to take the testimony of Wilson — another Comm^r will also go to you probably to take the testimony of Buford & of Wilson —

it is charged that Mr Buford is not a Justice of the peace & indeed Mr Dangerfield has certified that he is not so — the testimony of Wilson before previous to March 1812 is charged as a forgery &c

Will you do me the favor to have the testimony of Buford & of Wilson taken carefully & write me —

I wrote you a few Lines from St Helena Court & on the 15 Jany ult to which I have rec^d. no answer

very sincerely yours

1 June 1812

near St. Francisville
Bayou Sara
West Florida

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Co James Callier
near
Fort St. Stephens

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Via Orleans } Fort Stodart
M.T.

Francisville
June 11th 1812 W.B.
to J. Callier

Hamilton
June 1812

My friend

I beg to hand you a Comm^n directed to Mr Burford to take testimony in the case of the Slate ag^t Cobbett — the first one taken by Mr Burford & filed in the Parish Court of St Helena has been declared by a Making a Lawyer to be a Forgery & that there is no such Man as Wilson &c^a — Will you do me the favor to see the Comm^n executed enclose it to me open & write me —

What think you of our situation, thrown upon the great Waters & deserted even by the Imbecile Madison — to be sure there is some untowardness & backwardness & weakness in our administration — We are about to enter into some Resolutions here — I wish to be annexed to the M^y T.^y & not to the Alleans Slate — may write me

accept I pray you of the warmest Expression of my respect & best Wishes

[signature]

6 June 1812
Bayou Sara
near
St Francis Ville
W Florida

I have written you 4 times 1/3
& no answer

James Collier Esquire
upon the Waters of
Tombeebee
Fort St Stephens
near
via Orleans } Fort Stodart

Post paid

Letter from
Pinkneyville