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The Judge Advocate to the New S. Marsden

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Judge Advocate Office Sydney

23<sup>d</sup> January 1819

Sir

Recd Mar 12/18 by the Trabella

I have to acknowledge the receipt on the 23<sup>th</sup> Inst. of your letter, dated the 17<sup>th</sup> Inst, on the subject of "Philo Fair's letter, in the Sydney Gazette", and in reply, which would have been returned sooner, but on account of my absence from Sydney in attendance upon the Native Institution at Parramatta, I have to express rather surprize, that you should have thought fit to have considered me as the proper medium for any observations, or answer you may feel disposed to make upon the conduct or communication of Mr Seef Campbell - and still more, to devolve upon me the duty of preferring any request you may be desirous of submitting to the Governor in that respect. - The consideration due to them as well as myself, urges me however altogether to decline the office of making any such communication whatever upon the subject, which it seems to me could indeed only with propriety and due respect, be made directly by yourself.

As in the personal interviews, which have taken place between us on the present subject, and even particularly in your last, when you delivered to me the letter now before me, it was matter of particular care and frequent mention with you to express your total Ignorance of the law, and of all the necessary steps to be taken in relation to the exigency of your purpose, I am obliged nor with regret indeed, to conclude, that all the observations made in the remaining part of your letter, and which are so completely of a legal nature and tenor, should in Justice be attributable not to yourself,

The Rev. Jamb. Marsden

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