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Dear Sir

Washington Mar. 31. 1802.

The commission of the peace for the county of Alexandria stands thus. George Gilpin, Wm. Fitzhugh, Francis Peyton, Richd. Conway, Elisha Calvert, Chas. Alexander, George Taylor, Noah Thomson, Abraham Faw, John Herbert, Alexr. Smith, Cuthbert Powell, Peter Wise junr. Jacob Houghman & Thomas Dade. as these commissions expire with the end of the present session of Congress, ~~it is now necessary for me to give in~~ I have given in their names to the Senate for permanent appointment. but it occurring that some of them may have resigned or refused to qualify in which case it would be necessary to withdraw their names & substitute others before the Senate, I take the liberty of troubling you to satisfy yourself if any of them have resigned or not qualified, and in that case to recommend to me others in their place. if among those who have not qualified there be any whom it would be desirable to continue, perhaps you could know of them whether they will qualify if appointed. but if they are as well out as in, then let us avail ourselves of the opportunity of putting in such good republican characters as you will be so kind as to recommend to me. as I am desirous to send in the new nominations to the Senate by Monday at farthest, I must press on your good nature to give me the necessary information by that day. Accept my best wishes & salutations

Th: Jefferson

Francis Peyton esq.

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