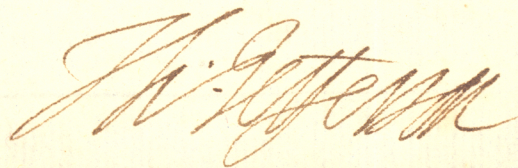


Dear Sir

Philadelphia Nov. 25. 1790.

Mr. Donald having it in contemplation to make over-
-tures for the purchase of tobacco for French consumption,
- & the public papers rendering it uncertain whether that
- business will be left in the hands of the farmers general, or
- committed to a new board, or perhaps left altogether
- free, insomuch that we know not here to whom appli-
- cation must be made, I cannot do better than recom-
- mend him as my particular friend to you, and ask
- for him your counsel & recommendation to the proper
- persons so far as may be consistent with the general
- interests of our country which is the first object of your
- office, and the rights of other individuals of it which may
- in justice claim your patronage also. you are too well
- acquainted with the solidity of Mr. Donald's house to
- require any information from me on that head, and
- I add my own testimony of his integrity & honor, already
- sufficiently known to you, only because it is always
- pleasant to bear witness to the truth. I am at all
- times, my dear Sir, with sincere attachment

your affectionate friend & servant



1790.

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