Dear Sir,

I doubt much whether the amendments will be made in consequence of his death. Both in elections and in the death of Defendants, but I am inclined to think that in the former case, with you would consult the season on it for their rather they would go off as tonight carry on a New one to the Circuit Court.

But I am sure that Mr. Holcomb and Mr. Lewis are again candidates, and if so, you will perhaps have a New seat to act for, although it could be wished that Mr. Holcomb might succeed, yet it may be improper for you as a Candidate to enter in the Election but as far as it concerns yourself I am inclined to think that you will not find Mr. Lewis or any Manaced as you may expect, he will use great Activity I am persuaded that the Demor will support him in order to secure to their side, but Concerning them also of former that their Speech will lead you, as on which is their wish to take down in the County and if I conceive that in their supporting them I think you will find that he will join them in that business.

I should advise your acting with great caution and at my note with Candidates, if I can in my power to advise at this distance you will have to be second by Circumstances, as they occur they have had every kind of which conformed me two days to my room, but am out again it getting pretty well.

March 5, 1800
We are not employed with the affairs of Jonathan Stedman, and it is not responsible for our helpfulness. More than otherwise at the Council, the President or any other person in supposing that business. The object of the thing is to shun what those who are about may read.

When I have the occasion then to suspect returning a serious charge against the President and with a hyperbolic tone can affecting to consent that I felt to him to demonstrate a man for whom he had so kept an esteem. Mr. Rutledge moved that they should have a committee to look into the conduct of the President with every thing that can be brought to light out of it. But Mr. DeCatur, in his motion that it should go to a committee of the whole, believed that he had dispelled testimony to do it contrary to the charge. In that committee many affidavits and altered documents were also calculated for out of the papers from their hands on the floor by one of them, that such men in charge.

The Committee has gone further in its case and on a fact that further testimony was wanting. I felt it would come too great a weight of time to proceed in it; so they were disengaged by some of them, while it was objected to end the inquiry. But in the report drawn up they had the cases that they had from the Committee to proceed. It may very probably the French government to be determined to any thing we may send as indirectly as they can, though the liberty, when voted by them and would be enabled more easily to practice in this close sea. Country. I remember the case, and particularly your mother. Demand write to her by the first post.

Mrs. Deas

[Signature]
L. Praela
March 5, 1800
Dear Burr:

I doubt much whether Shearmans suits will abate in consequence of his death. Suits in ejectments abate on the death of Defendants but I am inclined to think not in the other case. I wish you would consult Mr. Harrison on it for I had rather they would go off as I might carry a New one to the District Court.

Doct'r Sims writes me that Mr. Noland & Mr. Lewis are again Candidates, in this case you will perhaps have a New part to Act for altho it could be wished that Mr. Noland might succeed yet it may be improper for you as a Candidate to interfere in the Election but as far as it concerns yourself I am inclined to think that you will not find Mr. Lewis as easy managed as you may expect, he will use great Activity & I am persuaded that the Demo$ will support him in order to secure to their side his Connexions. I am also of Opinion that their push will beat us, as an -------- which they wish to break down in the County and if I conjecture right in their supporting him I think you will find that he will join them in that business.

I would advise your acting with caution and at any rate with Candour, it is not in my power to advise at this distance you will have to be governed by Circumstances, as they Occur.

I have had a very bad cold which confined me two days to my room, but I am out again & getting pretty well.

We are yet employed with the business of Jonathon Robbins and it was impossible for me to feel otherwise than disgusted at the Conduct of the Gentlemen who support that business, the object of the thing is so plain that those who ran may read.

When Mr. Livingston brought in his resolutions a Serious charge against the president and with a hypocritical cant affecting to lament that it fell to him to criminate a man for whom he hd so high an esteem. Mr. Rutledge moved that they should be referred to a Select committee, because such a Committee might be vested with power to collect testimony and that he could wish to meet the question with every thing that could be brought in support of it, but Mr. Livingston insisted that it should go at once to a committee of the whole & observed that he had sufficient testimony to substantiate the charge. In this Committee many ill founded and illnatured assertions was made calculated for out of door purposes. It was then moved in the House by one of those Gentlemen to discharge the Committee from any further proceedings under a pretense that further testimony was wanting & that it would cause too great a waste of time to procure it, in this he was supported by some of them whilst others affected to wish the inquiry to go on. In this no doubt it was expected that the friends to Government in order to save time & from the contempt with which they viewed the charge would join in the Motion, but they were mistaken the design was too visible and they have to proceed in the inquiry & will not have to say they were stopped by the friends to Government.

This disappointment has increased their violence and we have had repeated call for papers from different parts America and if they had been gratified I have little doubt but they would have required the proceedings of the Court Martial in Jamaica before the thing had ended. The fact is that it is impossible from the Nature of the Case that any thing more could appear as respects the president than what we have before us. It is a harmful consideration that men chosen out by the people for their virtue wisdom and patriotism should far mistake their duty as to exhaust so much of the session in such a pitiful business, and so ridiculous does it make us that already has it produced a Cry out of doors that we are canvassing for the Election of Mr. Jefferson at the expense of 1000$ per day to our
Constituents, the fact is that all their movements seem to tend to this point and to create a belief that the president has done something amiss is one of the means. What they mean should follow the event of his election is in conjecture only, but when we take into view a number of circumstances I think we may fear the worst.

We have nothing new from Europe, but from the last account I am afraid peace is not at hand as great preparations are going on for another campaign. It may very probably suit the French Government to treat with us and indeed promise any thing we may ask, particularly as they can break the treaty when ever it suits them and will be enabled more easily to intrigue in this devoted country. Remember me to all and particularly your mother, I cannot write her by this post.

Yrs. Affectionately

Leven Powell