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Elbridge Gerry

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HIS EXCELLENCY
ELBRIDGE GERRY,
Governor and Commander in Chief
OF THE
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

To

Sylvanus Bachelidor Gentleman

Greeting:

E Gerry
YOU being elected on the *Twenty ninth* day of *March* A. D. one thousand eight hundred and *ten* to be *Ensign* of a *Company* in the *Fourth Regiment of Infantry* in the *second* Brigade, and *Sixth* Division of the Militia of this Commonwealth; reposing special trust and confidence in your ability, courage, and good conduct, I do, by these Presents, Commission you accordingly. You will therefore, with honour and fidelity. discharge the duties of said Office, according to the Laws of this Commonwealth, and to Military Rule and Discipline. And all inferior Officers and Soldiers are hereby commanded to obey you in your said capacity; and you will yourself observe and follow such Orders and Instructions as you shall, from time to time, receive from the Commander in Chief, or others, your superior Officers.

Given under my Hand, and the Seal of the Commonwealth, the *Twenty eighth* day of *July* in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and *ten* and in the *35* year of the Independence of the United States of America.

By His Excellency the Governor.

Benjamin Howland

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

THIS MAY CERTIFY, that *Sylvanus Barchelder* Commissioned
of within, on this *Sixth* day of *September* A.D. 1810, personally
appeared and took and subscribed the Oaths and Declarations required by the Constitution and
Laws of this Commonwealth, and a Law of the United States, to qualify him to discharge
the duties of his office.

Before me,

David Potter Lieut. Col. *Commandant*