

Unto his Grace Her Majesties high Commissioner and the right Honourable the Estates of Parliament

*The PETITION of
William Wilson one of the Under-Clerks
of Session.*

Humbly sheweth,

THAT where the Petitioner did serve as Under-Clerk of Privy Council, from the 27 Day of *May* 1689, till *November* 1690, and that during that space it is not unknown to many of the Honourable Estates of Parliament, with what Fatigue, Diligence and Application the Petitioner did Discharge the vast Croud of publick Affairs; that then occurred, as will appear by the Registers of Privy Council; Which during the time of his Service was more than what was insert in the publick Registers, for the space of seven Years, for many Years preceeding that Time: And the Petitioner was Engaged, for the Exigency of the Government and Dispatch of publick Business, many times to imploy and satisfy several Persons that had no Dependance on the Office, to sit up many Nights to Write Extracts of publick Orders; And yet albeit both before and since the time of the petitioners Service, there was a Sallary of Twenty pound *sterling* yearly allowed to the Under-Clerk of Council for Paper, Pen and Ink to the Office, beside a suitable Reward upon extraordinary Occasions; yet during the Petitioners Abode in that Office, there being no establishment for payment thereof; the petitioner, to this Hour, has neither received the Sallary for the space of a Year and a half, nor of the Sum of Fifty pound *Sterling*, which he has expended for the speedy dispatch of publick Matters, neither has got allowance for his so extraordinary Service.

May it therefore please your Grace and the Honourable Estates of Parliament to modifie what sum your Grace and Lordships shall think fit to be payed to the petitioner, in such way and manner as your Grace and the Estates of Parliament please. And your petitioner shall ever pray, &c.

