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MISCONDUCT OF THOMAS SMITH

Detroit 26th Septr 1793

M^r Thomas Smith

Sir I'm sorry to say you have quite broke your word with and injured me much you positively promised to be here when the Court set to prove your accounts this you have not done and no person you trusted will pay me otherwise I'm sure if you recollect ever so little you will find I dont desir[v]e such treatment, but to lay all that aside I gave you a certain Sallery to perform certain Services which you have not done and I insist must be done otherwise I will by next term take the necessary steps to do justice to myself. I find also by M^r Nortons accounts that you ordered payment to be made by him which I know nothing about and at rates which you were not authorized to do. In short their is a necessity for some clear account to be given and that when Norton & Stevens is present that these constant contradictions may have an end I'm frequently asked for Rum flour &c said to have been left under your care and taken by you and in your Statement, I see no account of any such thing.

I am Sir Your most obed^t humble Servant

J A

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