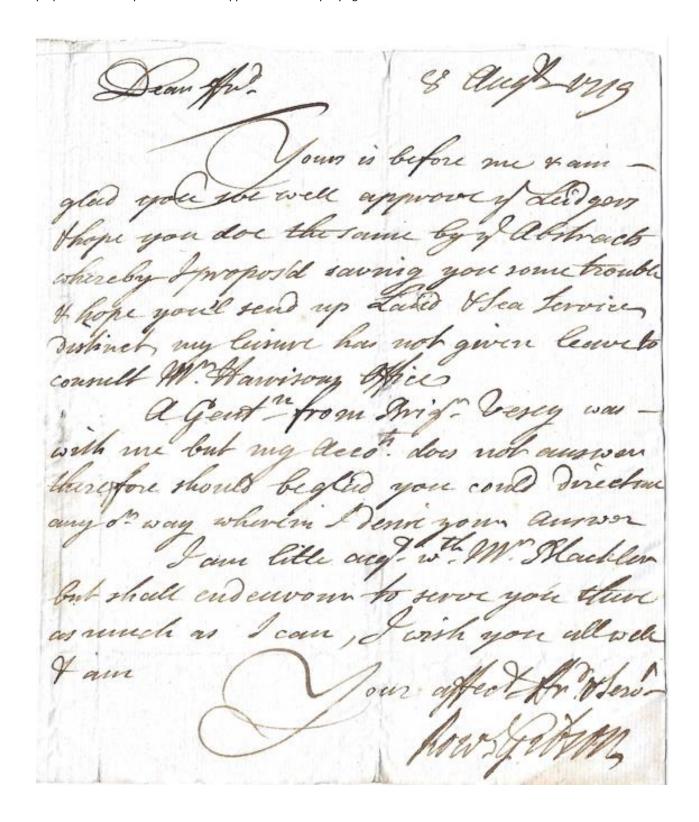
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## M<sup>r</sup> Row<sup>d</sup> Gibson The 8<sup>th</sup> of August 1719

## Date stamped AU/8

## To M<sup>r</sup> John Baxter at the Office of Ordnance Portsmouth

Dear sir

8 Aug<sup>st</sup> 1719

Yours is before me & am glad you soe well approve ye Ledgers hope you do the same by ye Abstracts whereby I proposed saving you some trouble & hope you'l send up Land & Sea Service distinct my leisure has not given leave to consult Mr Harrison's office.

A Gent<sup>n</sup> from Brigr Berry was with me but my Acco<sup>t</sup> does not answer therefore should be glad you could direct me any o<sup>r</sup> way wherein I desire your answer.

I am little acq<sup>t</sup> w<sup>th</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Shackler but shall endeavour to serve you there as much as I can, I wish you all well I am

Your affect & hr<sup>d</sup> serv<sup>t</sup>

\*\*Row<sup>d</sup> Gibson

See also 17190622 request for accounts

William Harrison - officer of the Office of Ordnance Tower of London



The lettering on this seal says "CAROLOUS I" = Charles 1st.
This presents an issue as Charles 1st was beheaded 70 years before the document was written, but there is little doubt that this is what is depicted, one can even make out a passing likeness to the king's bust.

A Carolous was also a coin minted in the reign of Charles 1<sup>st</sup>. It may be that this seal was made using a signate ring that had been handed down to it's owner, Presumably the author Rowland Gibson.