*[written by Nelson 2-1/2 months after losing his rt. arm]*

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141 Bond S:t (Street) Oct:r (October) 12th 1797,

My Lord,

 In addressing a letter to you

some persons may think me wrong, and that I ought

to have chosen the interference of a friend, but

feeling a conviction that if what I have to ask

in proper for Your Lordship to grant, that I

require on the present occasion no interest, but your own

opinion of my endeavours to serve the State.

 I therefore enclose my Request which

If your Lordship has the goodness to comply with,

will be a small provision for the youngest son of

my Venerable Father, and a lasting Obligation

 conferred.

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Upon Your Most Obedient Servant

 Horatio Nelson

The Right Honble (Honourable)

 The Lord Chancellor

*[written upside down in another person’s writing; possibly the Lord Chancellor’s clerk:]*

Sir H: Nelson

Burnham etc etc. for Mr.

Nelson