

Portland Jan<sup>y</sup> 10. 1812.

Hon: W: King Esq<sup>r</sup>

Dear Sir, Do prevail

on Mr. Ripley to accept the appointment  
of chief Justice of our D. court. You  
realize the importance of its cast  
whether Repub. or Fedr. - You cannot  
be deceived though Secophony should  
prevail on a few weak republicians to  
lend their names in support of a federal  
candidate. -

Mr. E. Parish in Portland  
has a petition before Mr. Lomas & they will  
take it kind in you to afford it your  
aid. Mr. Ripley has the care of it.

I am your friend, but frequent  
troubles  
Joseph E. Foxcroft