

United States of America  
District of Maryland to wit.

The United States of America to James H. Gale —  
Gentlemen — You are hereby commanded to have the  
body of Victor Difffey detained under your custody  
as it is said, under a safe and sure custod.  
Within with the ~~day~~ or cause of his being taken,  
before me, Judge of the District Court of the United  
States for the District of Maryland, at the office of  
the Clerk of the District Court aforesaid, at three o'clock  
in the afternoon, to do and receive all and singular ~~all~~ those  
things which I shall then and then afterwards in this  
behalf, and have that this will & witness my hand  
Seal this 13<sup>th</sup> day June 1827.

Elias Glenn *Seal*

To the Honorable Elias Glenn Judge of the District Court  
of the United States for the District of Maryland.

The undersigned a Captain in the Army of the United  
States, to whom the above Habeas Corpus was directed, begs  
leave respectfully to make return thereto, that Victor Difffey  
enlisted as a Soldier in the Army of the United States  
on the eleventh day of June in the year 1827. according to the  
provisions of the acts of Congress in such cases made and  
provided — and that he is now held and claimed as a  
soldier of the said United States under and by virtue of  
the said acts of Congress, and the enlistment aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed  
my name and affixed my seal this 13<sup>th</sup> day of  
June 1827.

James H. Gale  
Coapt P<sup>t</sup> N. S. Inf<sup>r</sup>  
Asst. Rec'ts Baltimore