

5541

Woodcutts  
Sep<sup>r</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 1783

Honoured Sir

I hope you will excuse the liberty  
I am taking in thus addressing you  
but a little incident - which occurred  
on Tuesday last - has caused me some  
little anxiety I was refused through  
your orders to serve one of your  
servants with Bread whom I have  
of late been accustomed to serve  
regular I am totally ignorant of  
the reason I am forbidden I am greatly  
affraid that - you are conversing or  
corresponding with some person or  
persons whose gossip cannot be  
relied upon / Sir whatever you may  
think or whatever you may have heard  
I wish you perfectly to understand  
that I have hitherto and am



at present. as far as I am aware  
striving to get a respectable living  
in this neighbourhood if you have any  
doubt. I am very willing to see you  
personally or with any number of  
people you may think fit to bring  
before me to answer to any charge  
at your own appointed time  
an answer be it ever so short  
will greatly oblige

Your Obedient Servant  
Josephiscock