The People of the State of New York,

By the grace of God **Free and Independent.**

To **George Moore Smith** Greeting.

We reposing especial trust and confidence as well in your patriotism, conduct and loyalty as in your integrity and readiness to do as good and faithful service. Have appointed and constituted and by these presents do appoint and constitute you the said George Moore Smith, Colonel, Sixty-ninth Regiment, Infantry, National Guard, New-York,

with rank from August 9th 1895.

You are therefore to observe and follow such orders and directions as you shall from time to time receive from Our Commander-in-Chief of the Military Forces of Our Said State or any other your Superior Officer according to the Rules & Discipline of War, and hold the Said Office in the manner Specified in and by the Constitution and Laws of Our said State, in pursuance of the trust reposed in you and for so doing this shall be your Commission.

In Testimony Whereof We have caused our seal for Military Commissions to be hereunto affixed.

Witness: **Levi P. Morton.** Governor of our said State, Commander-in-Chief of the Military and Naval Forces of the same at our City of Albany this thirty first day of August one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

E. A. McAlpin

Adjutant General

Levi P. Morton