

Lake Landing Wythe Co. N.C.
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Elias Carr Esq My dear Sir

I would like to ascertain if within your judgment, of the wording of the Constitution of the Alliance, the ballot is accorded to Females? If such be the case, it is undoubtedly without a precedent - Taxation & Representation according to our form of Government are one and inseparable - I cannot believe the Alliance ever intended it. It consumes considerable time from the transaction of business in the Alliance. And besides females rarely ever vote intelligently - I have on numbers of occasions seen them vote both yeas & nays on the same subject. Now it would be well enough to allow them the ballot at the admission of their own sex - but in no other instance - They know nothing about business - I should be pleased to have your views about it - As would our Alliance
Respectfully Yours &c
H.W. Bonner M.D.