

**Date:** 16 September 1571

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**Place:** Balloch Castle

**From:** Duncan Campbell of Glenorchy (draft)

**To:** Patrick, 3rd Lord Drummond<sup>1</sup>

**Address:**

My Lord efter my maist hartlie commendatiounis. Yis to put zour Lordship in remembrance of ze freindlie commoninge was betuix zour Lordship and me ye last tyme I was in Drimmone<sup>2</sup> albeit I dout nocht bot zour Lordship is myndful yairof quhilk sall nocht pass out of my mynd wil God in my defalt. Bot ye caus I put zour Lordship in remembrance heirof is for yir trublis yat ar betuix Alexander Murray and ye Redochis. For I am informit yat my Lady zour Lordshipis mothir solistis zour Lordship to put Alexander Murray out of ye hous of Aberleidonek and I persaif ye Lord my fadir with my Lord Argyillis assistance and all vyer freindis yat yai ma mak bent to defend Alexander Murrayis caus and yat be ressoun yai find it honest and just.<sup>3</sup> Tharfor I pray zour Lordship have respect to yis mater in tyme and solist my Lady zour mothir caus ye Redochis tak ane abstinence conforme to ye Lord my fadiris writing drectit to hir Ladyship. For I feir gif yis be refusit and yat yai pass to ye schortest of it yat it will raiss trublis amange freindis. Quhilk I wald to God war nocht consideringe I knaw we ar sa weill myndit to vyeris quhilk God willinge sall continewe without ye fail be in zour Lordship. Ye rest to zour Lordshipis wisdoun and ansuer and sa committis zour Lordship to ye protection of ye Lord God. At Balloch ye xvi of September 1571.

Zour Lordshipis cousinge at his powar,

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<sup>1</sup> Patrick, 3rd Lord Drummond, had just succeeded his father David, 2nd Lord Drummond, who died in 1571. This letter is linked to [193].

<sup>2</sup> Drymen, the seat of the Drummonds.

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<sup>3</sup> The Reidheugh-Murray feud, see Introduction.