

That on the Certain dayes and at the place up: or a 5  
 you or any four or more of you shall appoint & i.  
 knowe unto them they cause to come before you or four  
 four or more of you at a place such and soe many lawyers  
 men of their Bailiwick by whom the truth of the  
 matter may be the better known & Enquired of and that  
 they together with all and singular the Chief officers  
 Civil and Military within our provinces and all other  
 our good and lawfull people within the same upon the faith  
 and allegiance which they owe and which they stand  
 bound to us that in all things touching the office of Chief  
 Justice and Justices accordingly respectively at a place and the  
 consideration of us our peers and the peers of our  
 said provinces and all and singular the principal they be  
 fully and wholly obedient unto you our said Chief Justice  
 and Justices respectively without our trust or will be  
 good shall be Black: you J<sup>r</sup>: our Cap: J<sup>r</sup>: & God in  
 Chief in & over our provinces and territory of Maryland  
 this 25 day of Aprile in the 14 Y<sup>r</sup>: of our reigne Anno  
 1702  
 W. Blackston

On the back side of 10<sup>th</sup> said <sup>Commission</sup> was  
 thus written and Endorsed viz:

William the third by the Grace of God of England Scotland  
 France and Ireland King Defender of the faith etc  
 John Pollard James Koch Thomas Greenfield John Hale  
 Sam<sup>r</sup>: Young to<sup>th</sup>: W<sup>th</sup>: Huntington and Thomas Smith J<sup>r</sup>:  
 greeting Wee Doe hereby authorize and empower you  
 or any one of you to admi<sup>n</sup>: the oaths appointed by Act  
 of parliament: instead of the oaths of allegiance and  
 Supremacy or also the oath of Justice of the peace Court  
 unto Thomas Smith J<sup>r</sup>: Chief Justice John Bigger J<sup>r</sup>:  
 W<sup>th</sup>: Huntington