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March 13th 1816

Gentlemen,

The time for which I have engaged to serve you in the capacity of a Minister of Jesus Christ, in this Parish, will expire on the first day of July next. I wish to be considered no longer than that time, the Rector of the Parish.

I thank you, and the Parishioners generally for the support and kind attentions received. I have endeavoured to serve you faithfully. After acknowledging many defects in my public ministrations, and in my private deportment, I feel conscious of having discharged the duties incumbent on me

Very respectfully & affectionately
Yours
P. F. Smith

Easter Monday April 15th 1816.

At a meeting of the Vestry and Parishioners of St James's at the Parish Church for the purpose of puting out two of the Vestry (John C. Weems having removed out of the Parish and William Weems resigned) and to Elect four Vestrymen Regin Estep and Thomas Sellman Presiding When it appeared that Daniel Murray and Jacob Franklin junr were voted out. they then proceeded to Ballot for four Vestrymen, the Ballots being deposited and counted it appeared that Daniel Murray, Jacob Franklin junr Joseph G. Harrison and John H. Lillard were duly Elected Vestrymen for the ensuing year. Cassaway Pindell and Philip Pindell were appointed church Wardens. The Vestry then agreed to have the Glebe Land near

Pig Point advertised to be sold on the 7th of May next.

William H. Hall Register of St. James's Parish having resigned, Rinaldo Pindell was appointed and Qualified on the 8 May 1816 in the form following, to wit, (having previously taken the Oath of fidelity and also subscribed a declaration of his belief in the Christian Religion)

I Rinaldo Pindell, do swear that I will faithfully execute the office of Register of St James's Parish in Ann Arundel County without Prejudice favour or affection According to the best of my skill and knowledge

Sworn to before
Thomas Sellman

May 7th 1816.

Joseph G. Harrison and John H. Lillard being previously Elected, Qualified in the form following to wit,

We (Joseph G. Harrison and John H. Lillard) do swear that we do not hold ourselves bound in Allegiance to the King of Great Britain and that we will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to the State of Maryland -

Joseph G. Harrison
John H. Lillard

Sworn before Thomas Sellman
a Justice of the peace for A A County -

We do solemnly declare that we believe the Holy Scripture as held canonical by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Maryland to be the revealed Will of God, and that through them we hope to obtain salvation -