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To the Reverend Bennet Allen of Ann Arundel County
Sendeth Greeting Whereas it hath been represented to me
that by the Decease of the Reverend Mr. Alex.r Adams lately
rector of St. James's parish in Ann Arundel County the said
Parish is become vacant and Whereas it is very Expedient
that some Minister of the Church of England should reside
and be impowered to Officiate and administer the Sacrament
(Seal) in the said parish until another Rector shall be Appointed
and Inducted I do therefore by these presents Grant Lycence
Ho: Sharpe and Faculty to you the said Bennet Allen to Officiate as
a Curate in the said parish Called St. James's parish
and to Continue during pleasure And During such Continuance
to have take and Receive from the Sheriff of Ann
Arundell County the whole Amount of the Thirty per Poll as
may become due from the Layable Inhabitants in the parish
aforesaid-

Given under my hand Seal at the City of Annapolis
this 24th day of October in the Seventeenth year of his
Lordships Dominion Anno Domini 1767

Signed & order
W. Scott Cl. Con.

then was Marmaduke Wyvell Duly Elected as a Church
Warden for the ensuing year in the Room of George Simmons
and Qualif.d as the Law Directs and Signed the Test.

A Greed by this Vestry to petition to the Justices of Ann Arundell
County Court for an Assessment of Three pounds of Tob.o & poll
on the Layables of said parish to Defray the Charges of said parish

Att a Vestry held at the parish Church of St. James's on Tuesday
the 2. day of February 1768.

Present Mr. John Chew
Mr. David Weems } V. Men — Geo. Neall } Ch.
Mr. Elis.a Harrison — Mar. Duke Wyvel } Warden.
Mr. Sam Chew

Att a Vestry held at the Parish Church of Saint James's
on Easter Monday 4th Day of Apr. 1768.

Present
Mr. Elisha Harrison } V. Men
Mr. John Weems } — Mr. Mar. Duke Wyvell & C. Warden
Mr. Tho.s Deale Charles Owens & Sam Burgess Paris.rs
Which Gentlemen Choses Mr. Rich.d Green & Mr. Jos. Hutton
for vestry men for the Ensuing year and Discharged Mr. Sam.l
Lane & John Chew from that Office Likewise they Choose
Mr. Sam Burgess & Mr. Morg. Jones as Church Wardens
and Discharged Mr. Marmaduke Wyvell and Mr. George
Neall from that Office-

At A Vestry Held at the parish Church of St. James on the
3 Day of May 1768-

Pre.t
Mr. Elis.a Harrison
Mr. David Weems } V. Men
Mr. John Weems — Mr. Morg.n Jones } C. Warden.
Mr. Rich.d Green
Mr. Jos. Hutton

On the 3 Day of May 1768 Then was Mr. Richard Green
& Jos. Hutton Duely Qual. As vestrymen in the Room of
Mr. Sam Lane & Mr. John Chew who was Disch.ed from that Of-
fice.

At Same Time was Mr. Morgan Jones Duly Qu.ed as Church
Wardens in the Room of Mr. Geo. Neal who was Dis.d From
that Office

Likewise George Taylor is to Con.e as Sexton for the Ens. Year
Likewise David Weems Reg.r is to Con.e as Reg.r for the Ens.g Year.
Order that David Weems Reg.r is to Acquaint Mr. Jos.h
Galloway to Meet the Vestrymen & Church Wardens Next
Vestry Day with his Acc.ts in Order to Come to a Set.mt