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Dorchester County } Be It Know all Men by these Presents
That we Richard Spragg Robert Harrison and Joseph Richardson
all of Dorchester County Gentlemen are held and firmly bound
unto The Right Honourable Henry Hanford Esquire absolute
Lord and Proprietary of the Province of Maryland in the
Sum of One thousand Pounds Current Money to be paid
unto his said Lordship his Heirs and Successors Portrich
payment truly to be made we bind ourselves and every of
us our and every of our Heirs Executors and Administrators
jointly and severally firmly by these Presents sealed with
our Seals and Dated this twenty sixth Day of May
Anno Dom seventeen hundred and seventy three

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The condition of the above Obligation is such that if
the above bounden Richard Spragg whilst he shall continue
in the Office of Clerk of Dorchester County shall at his own
proper Cost and charge find a supply of Good and sufficient
Record Books necessary for the entering up of all matters
and things relating to such Clerks Office and shall and
will make or cause to be made and entered true legal and
perfect Records and entries according to the truth ~~and Nature~~
~~of the matter~~ or thing requiring to be entered or ~~recorded~~ and
shall duly and carefully look after sustain preserve repair
and maintain all the several Books Papers and Records now
being and remaining in the said Office as also all those
that from time to time during his Continuance in the said
Office shall be added thereunto in such manner as that
in case of Death or that he shall be legally dismissed from
Officiating longer in the said Office he the said Richard
Spragg his Executors or Administrators shall surrender
and deliver up or cause to be surrendered and delivered up
to the next Person who shall succeed him in the said
Clerks Office all the Papers and Record Books now being
in the said Clerks Office in Good Order and repair as also
all such other Papers and Record Books which shall be
by him added in like Good Order and repair with the Records
(and)