Generall power and authority herein contained And that the
first Counsellor who shall be at the time of your death or
absence residing within our province of Maryland Do preside
in our said Council with such power and preeminence as any
former President hath used and enjoyed within Our said
Province or any other our plantacons in America until Our
pleasure be further known or your arrivall as aforesaid:
Lastly We do hereby Declare ordaine and appoynt
that you the said Lionell Copley shall and may hold execute
and enjoy the Office and place of Captaine Generall and
Governor in chiefe in and over Our province and Territory
of Maryland together with all and singular the powers and
authorities hereby Granted unto You for and during our
will and pleasure In witness whereof We have caused
these our letters to be made patente: Witness Our Selves
at Westminster the Seaven and Twentyth day of June
in the third year of our reigne &c:

per breve de privato sigillo: Barker

Sealed:

Then after were Read the Commission for the provinciall Court wch
Maryland: William and Mary by the grace of God King and Queene of
England Scotland France and Ireland Defend: of the faith &c:
To all and singular our Heirs and Chiefe Officers and all other
of our province of Maryland aforesaid Greeting in our Lord God
everlasting Whereas for the conservacon of the peace and
tranquility of our said Province and to the end that equall right
and justice may be duely and impartially administred to all
and every person and persons bodyes politick and corporate of and
within our said province We constituted assigned and appointed
and do by these presents Constitute assigne and appoynt Our trusty
and Welbeloved Lionell Copley Esq: Our Capt: Generall and Governor
in Chiefe in and over our province and Territory of Maryland
aforesaid to be our Chiefe Justice of our Provinciall Court of our
said province aforesaid for the holding of all pleas touching and
relating to the conservacon of the and the conservacon of the
peace of our said province as for the holding of pleas touching
our rights and revenues and of common pleas And Whereas
We have likewise constituted assigned and appointed as by

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these presents We do Constitute assigne and appoynt our trusty
and Welbeloved Capt Nathaniel Blakston Colle Henry Jowles
Colle George Robotham Major Nicholas Greenbury and Mr Thomas
Gerrick Major Robert King Doctor John Edison and Mr Robert Mason to be Justices of Our said Court
for the holding the pleas and determining the matters aforesaid
during our pleasure Willing and by these presents assigning
constituting and appointing that our said Chiefe Justice
and Justices aforesaid or any four or more of them (whereof
our said trusty and Welbeloved Lionell Copley Esq: Capt Generall
as aforesaid Capt Nathaniel Blakston Colle Henry Jowles Colle
George Robotham Major Nicholas Greenbury and Mr Thomas
Gerrick, or any One of them to be always One) shall be a
sufficient Court for the holding the pleas and determining the
matters aforesaid We do therefore hereby strightly enjoyne
require and command you and every of you in and upon
the faith and allegiance which you owe and in which you
stand bounden and holden unto Us that in all things
touching the Office and offices of Justice and Justices aforesaid
and to the conservacon of the peace and the peace of our said
province You diligently and wholly attend unto our said
Chiefe Justice and Justices respectively Witness Our said
trusty and Welbeloved Lionell Copley Esq: Our Capt Generall and
Governor in Chiefe in and over our said province and Territory
of Maryland the 16th day of April in the fourth year of
Our reigne &c: Annoq: Dni 1692:

L: Copley

Which being read the Lieutenant Governor administred
the Oaths of Allegiance and Abjuration appointed &c:
and the usuall Oath of Justice of the provinciall Court unto
Capt Nathaniel Blackston: Then the said Captaine
Blackston administred the same unto Colle Henry Jowles
Mr Thomas Gerrick and Major Robert King and Mr
John Edison: who then took their places in Court
accordingly.

William Gayland admitted and Sworne Clerk of the said
Court, who also took the Oaths of Allegiance & Abjuration
Mr Edward Weem took the Oaths of Allegiance and
Abjuration &c and was likewise admitted and Sworne Attorney
Generall of this province.

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