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Maryland Sc. Frederick, absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Province of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c To Stephen Bordley of the City of Annapolis and one of the Attorneys of our Provincial Court in our Province of Maryland Esquire Greeting out of the Speecial Trust and Confidence We have and do Repose in your Fidelity Diligence Circumspection and Prudence and in your knowledge and understanding in the Laws of Great Britain and this Province We have Nominated and by these Presents do Constitute Ordain and Appoint you the said Stephen Bordley our Attorney General and Prosecutor of our Suits Pleas and Actions within our Province of Maryland whether Criminal or Civil Real Personal or mixt or of what Nature or kind soever to be Prosecuted and Attended by yourself in our Provincial Court of our said Province of Maryland and in such County Courts as you shall Practise and by Discreet and able Persons as you shall for that Purpose from time to time Appoint and Depute under you in the Several County Courts of this Province where you do not Practise of which you are to take Due care as much as in you lies. And we do hereby Grant that you and the Persons so Deputed or to be Deputed under you be and are hereby Permitted and Authorized to Demand require and Receive to your and their Proper uses and behoofs all such Sallarys Profits Fees and Rewards as now are or hereafter shall be Stated Granted or Due by Law (that is to say) to yourself what is allowed in the Provincial Court and the Courts where you Practise and to your Deputies what is allowed in the County Courts and because we would not that you should want any Assistance Council and Advice in the Management or Prosecution of our Affairs &c. under your care and charge We therefore Command and Enjoyn the Several Attorneys Practitioners and Councellors at Law that now are or hereafter shall be Appointed and Allowed of by us or our Governor and Commander in Chief in and over our said Province or Admitted to Practice by the Laws thereof to give and Impart to you their or any of their Council or Assistance in any matter or thing as you shall Judge or think Necessary or Requisite for our Service Provided such Attorneys Practitioners and Councellors at Law are not Retained against us in such matters as you shall require their Council Advice and Assistance in which case and no other they are to be Dispensed with And that you may be better Informed in all matters and things that relate to our Service either from Evidence or Informers to form your Proceed and Proceedings on Certainty and verity We Judge it Necessary for our Service and therefore do hereby Authorize and Impower you to Administer any oath or Oaths to any Witness or Witnesses Informer or Informers that shall be summoned or Prolond to Give Evidence in any Cause or matter when and as often as you shall find the same Requisite for our Service To have hold use Exercise and Enjoy the same Office and the Requisites and Profits to the same belonging during our Pleasure Witness our Trusty and Well beloved Horatio Sharpe Esqr. Governor of our said Province this Twenty sixth day of May in the fifth year of our Dominion Annoq Domini 1756

Hor. Sharpe

The Great Seal in Wax Appendant

Pro Cancellor

(On)

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On the back of the aforegoing Commission was thus Endorsed Viz.

On the 26th. day of May Anno Domini 1756 Come into the Provincial Court here Stephen Bordley Esquire the Person named in the within Commission and then in Open Court took the Several Oaths to the Government as Directed and Appointed by Act of Assembly of this Province to be taken made Repeated and Subscribed the Oath of Abjuration and the Test and also took the Oath of an Attorney General of this Province

Test Wm. Pligh Clk.

Amon Butler and Absolom Butler Severally make Oath to one days attendance each as Witnesses for the Lord Propietary against James Richard with 4 days Stenoment Charges from Baltimore County comes to 160lb Tobacco, Order given to each

Nathan Hughes Proves 5 days attendance for James Richard at suit Lord Propry comes to 160lb Tobacco

John Dorsey Proves 4 days for ditto at suit ditto Comes to 128lb Tobacco

Edward Drugan Proves 8 days for ditto at suit ditto with four days Stenoment Charges from Baltimore County comes to 304lb Tobacco Order given

Thomas Sykes Proves 6 days for ditto at suit ditto with same Stenoment Charges from same County Comes to 320lb. Tobacco - order given

John Gill Proves 3 days for ditto at suit Ditto with same Stenoment Charges from same County County Comes to 224lb. Tobacco - order given

Henry James Proves 4 days for ditto at suit ditto with same Stenoment Charges from same County Comes to 256lb Tobacco - order given

Charles Stewart Proves 1 days Attendance last Court and two days this Court with four days Stenoment Charges last Court Comes to 224lb. Tobacco order given

Philip Wilkinson Proves 3 days Attendance for ditto at suit ditto with 4 days Stenoment charges from Baltimore County Comes to 224lb Tobacco - Order given

Venire facias Curatores Ordered and Issued to the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County to Summons twenty four Good and Lawfull men of his Bailiwick to make up a Jury of twelve in a Cause to be tryed between the Lord Propietary (at request of Francis Dulles) Plaintiff and John Hallillon Defendant Returnable immediately

Ordered that Henry Rozier enter into Recognizance in the Sum of fifty Pounds Currency with two Securities in the Sum of twenty five Pounds like money for his the said Rozier's Appearance here at the next Provincial Court to be held for this Province then and there to Answer unto such things as shall be Objected against him on behalf of his Lordship and not to Depart the Court without Licence thereof

(Thereupon)