

Authority and Revenue of the Crown as the Lord Howard in his letters conceives from the circumstances of this Fact and other late claims of the Lord Baltimore is greatly concerned and designed to be lessened, Wee most humbly offer our opinions that the said Talbot be tryed by special Commission here in England to which end your Majesty may please to order another vessel to be forthwith sent to Virginia with the like instructions to attend the Lord Howard and your Majesty's service there and with particular directions that the said Talbot be immediately brought in safe custody hither on board the Quaker Ketch, And that such of the ships company as are able to give evidence of the fact be particularly required to come over as also that the Right Honorable the Lord Treasurer may have notice to take care that by the same opportunity a fit Person be dispatched to Maryland to supply the Place and imployment of the said Rousby in the collection of your Majesty's Customs and carrying on your service relating thereunto.

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All which is humbly submitted

Councill Chamber 23. Feb^{ry} 1684/5.

Which being read and approved, it was thereupon ordered by His Majesty in Councill that the Right Honorable the Earl of Sunderland his Majesty's Principal secretary of state do prepare a letter for his Majesty's Royall signature to the Lord Howard Governor of Virginia to send over in safe custody on board, the Quaker Ketch (so soon as she shall be received by another Vessell which his Majesty hath ordered to be sent from hence) the said Coll. George Talbot to be here tryed for the said Murther and that his Lordship do likewise take good security of such of the said Ketches's Company who can give any evidence concerning the said murther to come on board the said Ketch to testify the same at the said Tryall.

At the Court at Whitehall the 25th Feb^{ry} 1684
Present

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The King's most excellent Majesty in Council His Majesty having been pleased upon the report of the Right Honorable the Lords of the Committee for Trade and Plantations to give directions for the speedy equipping and sending such one of his Majesty's Ketches as shall be judged fittest to attend the Lord Howard of Effingham Governor of Virginia and his Majesty's service there according to the Instructions formerly given to the Quaker Ketch, she being now ordered to come for England with Colonel George Talbot who is to receive his Tryall here for the barbarous murther of Christopher Rousby Collector of his Majesty's Customs in the Province of Maryland. It was this day ordered by his Majesty in Councill that