

Head, John Wright and William Bishop gent: Comishon^{rs} Joyntely and Seuerally to Keepe th^e Peace in th^e County of Kent, And to keepe & cause to be kept all Lawes & orders made for the good and Conservation of th^e Peace And for the Quiet rule & Government of th^e people in all & euery th^e Articles of Same, And to chasetise & punish all parsons offending against th^e forme of Any of th^e Lawes & orders of Our said Prouince of Maryland or of any of them in th^e County of Kent aforesaid As according to th^e forme of those Lawes & orders shall be fitt to be done, Wee haue allsoe Constituted & ordayned yo^u th^e sd Robert Dunn and John Vicaris (unlesse some one of o^r Counsell be Present) To be o^r Comishon^{rs} to enquire by th^e Oathes of good & Lawfull men of yo^r County aforesd of all mano^r of felonies witchcraftes inchantments sorcery magick arts trespasses forestallings ingrosseings & extortioners whatsoever, And of all & singuler other misdeeds and offences of which Justices of Peace in England may or ought lawfully to inquire by whomesoeuer or whensoever done or Perpetrated or w^{ch} heerafter shall happen to be donn or perpetrated in th^e County aforesd against th^e Lawes & orders of o^r sd Prouince of Maryland Prouided that yo^u p^{ro}ceede not in any of th^e cases aforesd to take life or member but that in euery such case yo^u send th^e Prisoners with their indictment and th^e whole matter depending before yo^u to th^e next Prouinciall Court to be holden for o^r sd Prouince whensoever or wheresoeuer to be holden there to be tryed And further wee doe authorize yo^u to issue out writts prosses and Attachments to hold plea of Oyer and terminer and after judgment Execution to awarde in all casses Ciuill whether in actions reall or Personall where the thing in Action doth not exceed three thousand pounds of tobacco according to th^e Lawes Orders & reasonable Customes made & used in o^r sd Prouince of Maryland for which cases ciuell soe to be tryed, Wee doe Constitute ordaine & appoint yo^u Robert Dunn & John Vicaris to be Judges as aforesd unless some one of our Council be then in Co^{rt} And therefore we comānd yo^u that yo^u diligently intend th^e keeping of th^e peace Lawes & orders & all & singuler other th^e p^{ro}misses and at certaine dayes appointed according to Act of Assembly in that case provided in such places as yo^u or any fower of yo^u as aforesd shall on that behalfe appoint yee make inquiries upon th^e p^{ro}misses and perform and fullfill th^e same in forme aforesaid, doing therein th^t which to Justice appurtañeth according to th^e Lawes orders & reasonable Customes of o^r sd Prouince; Saueing to us th^e Amercements & other things thereof to us belonging And therefore wee comānd th^e Sheriff of th^e sd County of Kent by vertue of these Presents that at th^e dayes & places aforesaid which yo^u or any fower of yo^u as aforesd shall make knowne to him to giue his Attendance on yo^u And if neede require to cause to come before yo^u or any such fower or more of yo^u as aforesd such & soe many good

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