

At the Court at St. James's the 10th day of May 1753.

Present

The Kings Most Excellent Majesty

in Council

His Majesty having been pleased to declare his Royal Allowance and Approbation of Horatio Sharpe Esq. to be Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Maryland in America according to the Nomination of the Lord Baltimore Lord Proprietary of the said Province. He this day took the Oaths before his Majesty in Council, appointed to be taken instead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy, and also the Oath Required to be taken by the Governors of his Majestys Plantations for putting in Execution the Acts of Trade and Navigation.

W. Sharpe

The following Commission is ordered to be here Entered
J. Baltimore

Frederick Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon in America Lord Baron of Baltimore of the Kingdom of Ireland To Our trusty and well beloved Benjamin Tasher George Water Edmund Jennings Charles Hammond Samuel Chamberlain Philip Thomas Daniel Dulany Edward Lloyd Benjamin Young Benjamin Tasher jun. Richard Lee and Benedict Calvert Esq. Greeting Know Ye that We reposing special Trust and Confidence in your Wisdom, Allegiance and Experience have Assigned and appointed you jointly and every of you severally to be our Privy Council of State within our said Province of Maryland, and We do hereby Give unto you and every of you full Power and Authority from time to time and at all times hereafter until We or Our heirs shall signify Our or their Pleasure to the contrary to Assemble and Meet together with our Lieutenant or Chief Governor of Our said Province for the time being when and where he shall from time to time direct and appoint to Treat Council deliberate and Advise of all Matters (concerning the quiet Government of the People of Our said Province as of the Good and Safety thereof) Which shall be discovered unto you or brought before you as well as of the Good and Safety thereof. Witness my hand and Great Seal at Arms of Our Dominion and in the year of Our Lord One thousand Seven hundred & fifty three.

By his Lordships Command
Cecil Calvert Secretary

On the Back of which Commission was this Entered
Entered in the Office of the honourable Cecil Calvert Esq. Secretary of
the Province of Maryland in America, residing in England
Harman Verelst Assistant