

In this second Session of Assembly ended on the 11<sup>th</sup> Day of November in the Eighth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lady Queen Anne by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland Defender of the Faith & Anno Domini 1709  
 The Hon<sup>ble</sup> Edw<sup>rd</sup> Lloyd Esq<sup>r</sup> Presid<sup>t</sup> of her Majesty's Hon<sup>ble</sup> Council W<sup>m</sup> Taylor Esq<sup>r</sup> Sec<sup>y</sup> Deb<sup>t</sup>  
 The Addresses following were ordered to be entered in this Journal viz<sup>t</sup>

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty

The Humble Address of the President Council and Delegates of your Majesty's Province of Maryland, now in General Assembly sitting,  
 To your Sacred Majesty Sheweth,

That the Inhabitants of this your Majesty's Province complain that the Office of Governor in Chief of this your Majesty's Province and the Office of Keeper of your Majesty's Great Seal of this Province being in one individual Person consist not with the good Government thereof for thereby it comes to pass that when an Appeal is granted before the Governor and Council after a Decree in Chancery that the same individual Person which gave the Decree is also Judge in the Appeal, of the bad consequences whereof your Majesty's Subjects here being very sensible, in most humble Manner implore your Majesty of your Grace and Clemency to provide a proper Remedy.

Signed by the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Council and House of Delegates. W<sup>m</sup> Taylor Esq<sup>r</sup> Sec<sup>y</sup> Deb<sup>t</sup>

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty The humble Address of your Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects the Delegates and Representatives of the several and respective Counties of your Majesty's Province of Maryland now sitting in a General Assembly; Sheweth to your Majesty

That his Excellency John Seymour Esq<sup>r</sup> our late Governor hath given us to understand your Majesty's Displeasur to two Laws lately passed here, one about the Gauge of Tobacco Hogsheads the other against cropping and defacing the same, which we believe your Majesty would not have denied your Royal Assent to if any had appeared for us to have made your Majesty sensible of the Reasonableness of the said Laws And first we humbly beg Leave to lay before your Majesty the true State of the Trade of this Province: and so it is that the Merchants living at London most usually during the Wars adventure little on their own Account most great Ships coming chiefly on Brought to which the Merchants and Owners have great Encouragement by the Artifices of raising it to an extravagant Rate that the Tobacco that loads and employs so many large and defensible Ships pays such vast Sums to your Majesty and purchases such Abundance of the Goods and Manufactures of Great Britain is chiefly the proper Tobacco of the Planters Merchants and Inhabitants of this Province and at their proper Risque and Hazard sent to London, and tho' it produces little to us the Merchants who acts as our Tailors thereby with little Hazard most certainly gather vast by their Commissions and other Perquisites which they make and by laying