

Liber P. R. the p̄nt. And in case oʳ said Lieuten^t shall happen to die or be absent out of oʳ said Province of Maryland, and shall faile to make choice of nominate & appoint some person to be oʳ Lieuten^t gr̄all, Admirall Chancell^r and cheife Captaine Magistrate and Comander of oʳ said Province of Maryland as well by sea as by land, we doe hereby grant vnto oʳ Counsellors there for the time being or the greater part of them full power & authority from time to time in every such case to nominate elect & appoint such an able person w^{ch} shall then be of oʳ Counsell there and inhabiting & residing within oʳ said Province of Maryland as they or the greater part of them shall make choice of and think fitt to be oʳ Lieuten^t Gr̄all, Chancell^r Admirall, cheife Captaine Magistrate & Comander aswell by Sea as by land of oʳ said Province of Maryland and of the Ilands to the same belonging. Which person so to be chosen & appointed in any of the cases aforesaid we doe hereby declare shalbe oʳ Lieuten^t Gr̄all Chancell^r Admirall cheife Captaine & Comander of oʳ said Province of Maryland during the absence of oʳ said brother or vntill we or our heires shall signifie oʳ pleasure to the contrary. To w^{ch} Lieuten^t Gr̄all Chancell^r Admirall cheife Captaine Magistrate & Comander so to be elected nominated and appointed as aforesaid we doe hereby grant the like power & authority in all causes & things, as wee have by these p̄nts given & granted vnto oʳ said brother hereby commanding oʳ Counsellors Captaines souldiers Officers & Ministers for the time being, and the people of oʳ said Province of Maryland and all others whom it may concerne to be obedient vnto him in all things matters & causes as we have in & by these p̄nts commanded them to be obedient vnto oʳ said brother oʳ p̄nt Lieuten^t Gr̄all Chancell^r Admirall cheife magistrate Captaine & Comander, vpon paine of such punishment to be inflicted vpon them & every of them as such a highe contempt shall deserve Given vnder oʳ great Seale of oʳ said Province of Maryland at oʳ ffort of S^t Maries within oʳ said Province on the fourth day of September anno dñi 1642. the same fourth of Septemb was the said Commission published at the ffort at S. Maries.

Commission of the Cecilius Lord and Propriet^r of the Provinces
 Councell of Maryland and Avalon in the parts of America,
 Lord Baron of Baltemore &c. To our deare brother Leonard
 Calvert Esq. oʳ Lieuten^t Gr̄all of oʳ said Province of Maryland,
 and to our trusty & welbeloved Colonell ffrancis Trafford Esq
 Thomas Cornwalleis Esq John Lewger Esq William Blount Esq
 and John Langford Esq greeting. Know ye that we reposing
 especiall trust & confidence in yoʳ wisdomes diligence & ex-
 perience have assigned & appointed you iointly & every of you