

things as becometh Provided always that every one of you the said Thomas Greene Esq^r Captain Iohn Price Thomas Hatton Iohn Pile and Robert Vaughan nominated herein to be of our Council of our said Province do take the Oath hereunto annexed intituled the Oath of a Councillor of State in Maryland before any of you Respectively who shall not have taken the said Oath do presume to put in Execution any of the Powers and Authorities hereby or by any other Commission Granted by us unto you as Councillors or Conservators of the Peace in our said Province or be admitted of our Council there any thing herein or in any other Commission of ours to the Contrary notwithstanding which said Oath shall be Administred unto you and every of you respectively upon the holy Evangelists by our Lieu^t or chief Governor of our said Province for the time being whom we do hereby Authorise and Require to Administer the same Accordingly Given under our Hand & Greater Seal at Arms the twelfth day of August in the 17th Year of our Dominion over our said province Annoq Dni 1648

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I AB do swear that I will be true and faithful unto unto the Right honble Cecilius Lord Baron of Baltimore the true and Absolute Lord and Proprietary of this province of Maryland and his heirs and him and them and his and their rights Royal Jurisdictions & Seignory all & every of them in to and over the said Province and Islands thereunto belonging will at all times defend and maintain to the utmost of my Power and will never accept of nor execute any Place Office or Employment within the said Province any way Concerning or Relating to the Government of the said Province from any Person or Authority but by from or under a Lawful Authority derived or to be derived from time to time from his said Lordship or his heirs Lords and Proprietaries of the said Province under his or their hand and seal at Arms the Peace and Welfare of the People of this Prov^e I will ever procure as far as I can I will aid and assist the administring and execution of Justice in all things to my Power to none will I delay or deny Right for fear favour or Affection I will to my best Skill and according to my heart and Conscience give good and faithful Council to the said Lord and Proprietary and his heirs and to his and their Lieutenant or Chief Governor of this Province for the time being when thereunto I shall be Called I will keep Secret all matters committed or revealed unto me or which shall be moved or debated Secretly in Council and faithfully declare my mind and opinion therein according to my heart and Conscience and if any of the said Treaties or Councils shall touch any of the Privy Coun-