

Liber H. H. writts & warrants as shall be to you directed by Lawfull Authority and thereof you shall make a true returne According to the Tenor of the writt soe helpe yo^v God

Whereas I am given to vnderstand that some demurr may be made concerneing yo^r officiating the office of Sherrife vntill you have taken yo^r oath in yo^r County Court and given security as in yo^r Comission is provided for, and whereas the Comm^{rs} of yo^r County doe not intend to hold Court in yo^r County vntill June next after wch time must be returned (and that too suddenly) the list of taxable psons according to a speciall warr^t to you directed for that purpose

These are therefore in the name of the Right hono^{ble} the Lord proprietary of this province to will and require and likewise to Impower you John Lawson that forthwith you warne and conuene together at a certaine day to be by you appointed M^r Thomas Dent M^r Randall Henson M^r John Jarboe Cap^t Luke Gardner M^r William Barton and M^r William Rosewell or any foure of them whereof one to be of the Coram together with the Clarke of yo^r County Co^{rt} & that before them you take yo^r Oath belonging to Sherriff as is to yo^r Comission affixed and give bond likewise as is p^rscribed by Act of Assembly in that behalfe and that thereupon you doe all things belonging to yo^r Office of Sherriffe without further delay Lastly that you
 p. 218 cause the Clarke of yo^r County Co^{rt} to send downe to the Leivten^t Generall and Councell with what speed hee may his Certificate of die proceedings herein Given und^r my hand this 11th of Aprill 1665
 To M^r John Lawson

To our very loving freind S^r William Berkley
 Kn^t Governo^r of Virginea

p. 224 Right Hon^{ble}

My humble seruice to you Honour presupposed,

These are to acquainte yo^r Honn^r that Our Comm^{rs} att Our last Court hath Nominated these Gen^t for the Sherriffs Office, according to Act of Assembly (uiz^t) M^r Hugh Stanley M^r Charles Brooke, M^r Thomas Leitchworth Noe more at p^rsent but subscribe my selfe,

April 11th 1665

yo^r Hon^{rs} most humble seru^t
 James Thompson Clk