

Liber A. M. as shall be directed to you either out of the Provincial Court or Worcester County Court or from any of the Commissioners of the said County and to make due return of the same as by the same you shall be Comanded to have and to hold the said Office of high Constable of the said County of Worcester until I shall appoint a Sheriff there and for your proceedings in and upon the same this shall be your warrant Given under my hand and Seal at Arms this 19th day of Iune in the 40th Year of the dominion of Cecilius &c^a Annoq Dom 1672

To Daniel Brown of
the County of Worcester
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Cha: Calvert

[Erection of Worcester County.]

Cecilius Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c^a to all our
p. 99 Inhabitants within our County of Worcester in our said Province of Maryland Greeting in our Lord God Everlasting Know ye that whereas his most Excellent Majesty of Blessed memory Charles the first by the Grace of God King of England Scotland France and Ireland defenders of the faith &c^a did by his Letters Pattents under the Great Seal of England Bearing date the 20th day of Iune in the 8th Year of his Majestys Reign Annoq Dom 1632 Grant unto us this Province of Maryland According to the Bounds in the said Letters Pattents mentioned and expressed wherein his said Majesty of Blessed memory specifieth the Bounds of our said Province to extend to the Sea Board side and Delaware Bay to the fortieth degree of Northerly Latitude and for that we have in our instructions several times to our Lieutenant and Council and more particularly in our Instructions bearing date the one and twentieth day of March One thousand six hundred sixty nine Comanded Our Lieutenant and Council to use their utmost endeavours for the seating of the said Sea Board side on the Eastern Shore the Whore keil and Delaware Bay to the fortieth degree of Northerly Latitude according to the bounds mentioned in the said Letters Patents afore recited and for that we are informed that Several Persons are seated there without our Leave or License or without the Leave or License of our Captain General of our said Province and we having erected that part of ours^d Province Beginning at the Southermost Branch of a Bay now called Rehoboth Bay and from thence running Northerly up the Sea Board side to the South Cape of Delaware Bay and thence to the Whore keil Creeke and up the Bay to the fortieth degree Northerly Latitude into a County and do hereby erect the same into a County and it is our will