

Liber B. Sheweth and in humble manner  
P. R. O. representeth to your Hon<sup>rs</sup>

That your Petitioner for 16 years past has had the Hon<sup>r</sup> to serve his Lord<sup>p</sup> as Commiss<sup>r</sup> of Justice of Peace in his County of Baltemore and by orderly succession has been this 8 yeares the second of the Quorum in the said Commis<sup>o</sup>; in which place he hath to the utmost knowledge skill fidelity and integrity served his Lord<sup>p</sup> the R<sup>t</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lord Propr<sup>r</sup> as alsoe his good people within the said County and is not conscious to himself of the least misdemeanour by him committed any wayes deserveing his Lo<sup>ps</sup> or your Hon<sup>rs</sup> displeasure yett notwithstanding to your Pet<sup>rs</sup> great Grief and dissatisfaction of mind (in a late Comission for the said County) your Pet<sup>r</sup> is left out as a person not capable or not worthy to serve his Lord<sup>p</sup> in the quality he had soe long continued your Pet<sup>r</sup> humbly throws himself at your Hon<sup>rs</sup> feet and supplicates your Hon<sup>rs</sup> to make him sensible wherein or how he hath incurred his Lord<sup>ps</sup> or your Hon<sup>rs</sup> disfavour (himself being altogether ignorant of what hath been the occasion of soe signall a displeasure) And if the same has not been through your hon<sup>rs</sup> personall knowledge but by the information of some other person (as your Pet<sup>r</sup> hath some cause to suspect) he humbly prays to be heard before your  
P. 93 Hon<sup>rs</sup> and if anything shall then appear before your Hon<sup>rs</sup> that you shall think worthy of such discountenance your Pet<sup>r</sup> will most willingly submit to your Hon<sup>rs</sup> determination But if otherwayes then humbly prays your Hon<sup>rs</sup> your Pet<sup>r</sup> that you will be pleased some way to signifie the same soe as itt may take of that scandall, ignominy and reproach as your Pet<sup>r</sup> by the occasion aforesaid lyes under among his neighbours as a person not thought worthy to serve but to be discarded from His Lord<sup>ps</sup> and your Hon<sup>rs</sup> favour. Not but that your Pet<sup>r</sup> beleeves severall Gentlemen of the said County more worthy and capable to serve his Lord<sup>p</sup> and the said County in the aforesaid capacity then your Pet<sup>r</sup> and would be heartily glad your Hon<sup>rs</sup> should excuse him but he then humbly prayes your Hon<sup>rs</sup> itt may not be with disgrace to your Pet<sup>r</sup> unless itt appeares to your Hon<sup>rs</sup> he deserves itt. And shall pray &c.

The aforegoeing Petition is referred to the first day of the next Provinciaal Court.

Maj<sup>r</sup> Long's order }  
to sum<sup>o</sup> Coll: }  
Wells. }  
And whereas the allegations in the Petition of Coll. George Wells in behalf of himself and County was the cause Maj<sup>r</sup> Long was left out in the last Commiss<sup>o</sup> for Baltemore County Ordered that the said Coll. Wells be summoned to make appear what in his said Petition he hath alleadged against the said Long the which summons issued accordingly as followeth viz<sup>t</sup>