

and for that Ierom White Esq^r Surveyor General of this Province is at present absent from the Province and although the said Surveyor hath taken Care to depute Thomas Stockett of Ann Arundell County Gent Deputy Surveyor General to act in his absence with as full Power And Authority as if he were personally present yet Considering the Remoteness of the said deputy Surveyor Generals habitation from the Office whence Commissions to deputy Surveyors ought to issue and the present necessity and want that there is of a deputy Surveyor both in the County of Somerset and on the Seaboard Side on the Eastern Shore &c^a and in Obedience to his said Lordships Instructions for the speedy seating of the said places & reposing Especial trust and Confidence in your ability Skill and Circumspection the Art of Surveying in the laying out of Lands and Running out of Lines have and by these presents do Authorise depute Constitute and Appoint you the said James Weedon to be a deputy Surveyor in as full and ample manner as any other Deputy Surveyor is at present in this Province and to Execute all Warrants that shall Come to your hands either from myself the Secretary for the time being or other Officer Empowred to Grant Warrants for the Surveying of Land or running out of mens Lines as aforesaid Provided that you shall not exact more than one half of the fees Profits and Perquisites arising Coming or in any manner by the said Office of deputy Surveyor accruing or becoming due and the other half pay or Cause to be paid to the said Surveyor General or his Assigns and also before you shall Execute the said Office you shall take the Oath of a deputy Surveyor before William Stevens Gent whom I have appointed to Administer the same to you and also enter into Bond to the Surveyor General to be Accountable for half the said Profits as afores^d Given under my hand and the lesser Seal of the said Province of Maryland the 24th day of december in the 39th Year of the dominion of Cecilius &c^a Annoq Domini 1670

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Copy of the Oath and Bond sent according to the Tenor of the abovesaid Commission

Charles Calvert Esq^r Lieutenant General and chief Governor of the Province of Maryland to William Stevens of the County of Somerset in the said Province of Maryland Gent whereas by a Commission under my hand and Seal bearing date the 24th day of December in the 39th Year of the dominion of Cecilius &c^a Annoq Domini 1670 for the Reasons and Considerations therein specified I have deputed and appointed James Weedon of the said County of Somerset Gent a deputy Surveyor in as full and ample manner to use and exercise the said Office as any other now in the Province by Commission