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Seal of England to grant unto you the Office and Place of Secretary of their Majesty's Province of Maryland in America, These are in His Majesties name and by His express commands to direct and require you and the Secretary of their Majesty's said Province for the time being to send unto Us a particular Account of all things that shall pass or be transacted within your said Office of Secretary and Copies of such Lawes, Acts, of Government and publick Orders as shall be made from time to time together with Copies of the Journalls of the Councill and of all such Papers as are or ought to be entred and registered within your said Office, to the end We whom His Majesty hath appointed a Committee of His Privy Councill for Trade and Foreign Plantations may be the better enabled to perform the Duty incumbent on us, which Accompts and Copies are to be transmitted by You unto Us, quarterly or at such times in the year as any opportunity shall Offer, As also Duplicates thereof by the next succeeding Conveyance.

And that you and others whom it may concern may at all times give due Obedience hereunto you are to make an Entry of this Our Letter in the Books belonging to your said Office of Secretary whereof you are not to fail And so we bid you Farewell.

From the Councill Chamber, Whitehall 11 th Dec ^r 1691	
To Our Loving Friend,	Your Loving Friends
Sir Thomas Lawrence,	Carmarthen. P
Kn ^t Secretary of their	John Lowther
Maj ^{ties} Province of	Hen: Powle
Maryland in	H. Goodricke.
America.	

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To all whom it may Concern.

Decembth 12 : 91.

Being desired by S^r Thomas Lawrence to declare if I know by whome the Clerks of the Countys places in Maryland are disposed of.

I doe say That I have ever heard & doe believe They are disposed of by the Secretary of the Province And that I doe knowe the Clerks of the Countys places in Virginia are & always have been disposed of by the Secretary of that Colony & not by the Governor.

Effingham.

(Endorsed)

Effinghams Appeal relating to the
Determination of the Clerk of the
ten County Courts in Maryland

Read 15 Dec. 1691

These For S^r Thomas Lawrence