

Liber K. manage an Office of so great a trust, we the said Delegates & Iustices foreseeing the danger there was likely to accrue to the whole County did petition to the said Sr Thomas Lawrence to Constitute one W^m Hemsley of the said County to be Clerk of the said Court, a person in whom we have great Confidence & are well Satisfied of his Skill & knowledge understanding & trust in the said Office which petition as yet was never answered

Therefore your Excellencys petitioners in all humble manner supplicates your Excellency to Consider the premises & grant this our so reasonable request in constituting the said William Hemsley to be Clerk of the said Court & it will be a perpetual obligation to

Your Excellencys humble Serv^{ts}

John Davis	W ^m Fursey
W ^m Coursey	Hugh Sherwood
Rob ^t Smith	Ri: Carter
Isaac Winchester	

The same Answer given to this petition as to the foregoing petition from the Iustices of Ann Arundel County

To his Excellency the Governor

The petition of Thomas Hichcock

Whereas your petitioner & his wife are bound hither by recognizance to be Evidence for their Majestys against Amos Nichols & have attended here five days at his own cost is a poor man that lives by his Labour no Body at home but Young Children & now like to lose passage with M^r Vanderhyden

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Your Petitioner humbly Supplicates your Excellency to take the premises into your serious Consideration & grant them to return home

And your petitioner as in Duty Bound shal ever pray &c^a

The petitioners have hereby Liberty granted them to return to their homes & ordered to appear here again at the next Provincial Court to give in their evidence as before Required

The Choptank Indians together with Christopher Nutter the Interpreter are Called in have read unto them the Articles of peace drawn up according to the former order of this Board

They to wit Netoughwouton &c Tequassino the two great men formerly mentioned declare themselves unwilling to take upon them the Government of their Nation as hath been proposed to them but rather they propose that the Son of the last