

Liber K. Motion made in Behalf of Captain Rich^d Sweatnam of Talbot County that he may have License granted him to keep Ordinary at Talbot County Court house for the Entertainment & accommodation of the Iustices of the said Court & other psons Officers & Sutors thereunto he being a person of Sufficient ability & duely qualified for the same & to Comply with the Act of Assembly in that case made & provided which was Granted him & Ordered that he have License accord^gly

To his Exc^{lly} Coll^o Lionel Copley Gov^r of Maryland
The humble Petition of Thomas Bland of Ann
Arundell County

humbly Sheweth

p. 255 That your Pet^r being deeply sensible of our Sovereign Lord & Lady the King & Queens Maj^{stys} princely Bounty & Goodness to this their Majestys Province of Maryland & more particularly in placing your Excellency to be Ruler & Gov^r over their Majestys Subjects inhabiting the same by means whereof we are not only freed from the fears & Dangers of Popish Tyranny & oppression but from other Calamitys & miserys the People Groaned under which being now changed into repose quiet & Lawful Liberty there is nothing further wanting to the Composing the minds of Men in agreement peace & plenty save only the Dutiful Return of Veneration & Obedience from the people of this their Maj^{stys} Province in acknowledging their fatherly tenderness & Indulgence in placing your Excellency to be Ruler over us

Your Petitioner in Contemplation of so ample Goodness & that he may in some measure be serviceable to this their Majestys Province under the Lawful Government of your Excellency humbly prays that he may be admitted to be Sworne one of their Majestys Attorneys of the Provincial Court where your petitioner has been a practitioner above Twenty Years In which Employment your petitioner desires to spend the remainder of his Life, not only in Defending their Majestys rights by Law but shall always be ready to lay down his Life & Fortunes at their Maj^{stys} Feet & at the fect of your Excellency as Governor against all opposition whatsoever

And your Petitioner shall ever
pray for your Excellencys long life
& prosperity

Thomas Bland

p. 256 It being Informed his Excellency & this Board that the Pet^r had upon the late Revolution approved himself a Person dissaffected to their Majestys & the present Gov^t as p Several