

c. J.<sup>2</sup> We whose names are hereto subscribed do hereby undertake and solemnly engage that James Christie of Baltimore Town shall not depart this Province without the Permission & Consent of the Committee of Observation for Baltimore County or the Provincial Convention first had & obtained but shall stay & abide the determination & sentence that shall or may be pronounced against him by the next Provincial Convention for the heinous offence committed by him against the Community, & in case the said James Christie shall depart this Province without such leave, we and each of us do hereby voluntarily agree to submit to the same punishment that would have been inflicted on the said James Christie, if he had not departed, as witness our hands this 24 day of July 1775

Witness,

W. Smith.

Robt. Christie Jun<sup>r</sup>  
A. Stenhouse  
Henry Stevenson  
John Craig  
James Jaffray  
Eben<sup>r</sup> Mackie

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Mellvills Warehouse August 2<sup>d</sup> 1775.

At a meeting of the Committee of Caroline County, Capt. Matthew Driver in the chair.

Were present.

M <sup>r</sup> Thomas Hardcastle	M <sup>r</sup> David Robinson
Giles Hicks	John Stevens
Daniel Skinner	William Rich
Thomas Pennington	William Bell
Aaron Downes	John White
W <sup>m</sup> Chipley	Sol <sup>o</sup> Mason
Ezekiel Hunter	W <sup>m</sup> Haslett.
Robert Hardcastle	

The Committee being informed by Capt. Henry Downes, that he having been advised, that a certain John Williams had endeavoured to dissuade sundry persons enrolled in his Company from mustering, and had made use of many expressions which highly reflected on the Americans for having taken up arms in defence of their rights and privileges, which had induced him, assisted by many of the Sons of Liberty to take the said Williams on the 16th day of June last, and carry him to Tuckahoe Bridge, but after some enquiries had been made by the people then present, they judged it most expedient to refer Williams to the Committee of Observation for a discussion of his conduct, and the first Wednesday of August was fixed for a meeting of the Committee for that purpose, agreeable to which appointment the said Williams now appears.