

c. s. J. At a Meeting of the [Council of Safety of] Maryland at Annapolis on Tuesday the 29th [August] 1775,

Were present
 The Honble Daniel of St Thomas Jenifer Esq^r
 Charles Carroll Esq^r (Bar.)
 Thomas Johnson Jun^r Esq^r
 William Paca Esq^r
 Robert Alexander Esq^r
 Edward Lloyd Esq^r
 Samuel Chase Esq^r
 Charles Carroll Esq^r (of Carrollton)
 James Hollyday Esq^r

The above Members having previously subscribed the Association, The Honble Daniel of St Thomas Jenifer, Charles Carroll, Bar. Thomas Johnson Jun^r Edward Lloyd and Samuel Chase were qualified before M^r Paca: and Robert Alexander, William Paca, James Hollyday and Charles Carroll, of Carrollton were qualified before M^r Chase by taking the Oath prescribed by the Convention.

Gabriel Du Vall was chosen Clerk and qualified before M^r Chase, by taking the Oath directed by the Convention.

The Council adjourned till the next Day 11 o'Clock in the Morning.

[Circular to Members.]

Annapolis 23rd August 1775.

Sir.

As some of the gentlemen of the Council of Safety will be at the adjourned prov^l Court the beginning of next week and several will be obliged to set out for Philadelphia the latter end of the week we propose a meeting of the Council on Tuesday the 29th Inst, that the propositions may be received for erecting a powder mill, salt and Saltpetre works and for the manufacturing of arms or advertising for proper people to undertake these things as well as endeavour to forward some other matters directed by the convention.

Original.

[Bordley to Council.]

Gentlemen.

The not having sooner answered the letter, notifying the appointment of me to be one of the Council of Safety, is solely owing to the Pain it gives me to decline that Distinction, from the sense I have of my incapacity to answer the expectations of the Gentlemen of the Convention, in the execution of that office.