

[Sharpe to Hamersley.]

Letter Bk.IV

Copy of 3<sup>d</sup> Letter to M<sup>r</sup> Hamersley. Dated Annapolis 15<sup>th</sup>  
June 1766 transmitted by Captain Lane.

Sir

Having wrote to you so lately as the 28<sup>th</sup> of last Month by a Vessel bound to Bristol I have little to trouble you with at present but hearing that a Ship is on her Departure from Potuxent for London I embrace the Opportunity to transmit with the great Seal appendant Copies of the several Acts of Assembly that were made here in Sept<sup>r</sup> & December last which will I hope meet with His Ldps Approbation. Inclosed with the Memorandum concerning William Woodbridge which you lately sent me you will find a Certificate of his Death signed by the Naval Officer of this Port which you will I presume send to M<sup>r</sup> Swinton or the Person by whom the Memorandum was presented to His Ldp. In a Letter I addressed to M<sup>r</sup> Calvert your predecessor the 28<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>ry</sup> 1765 I told him that I had sometime before promised M<sup>r</sup> Leeds the present Clerk of Talbot County who is one of our Commissioners & has merited well of both His Ldp & Me that I would ask M<sup>r</sup> Calverts Consent for him to resign his Clerkship in favour of his Son in Law M<sup>r</sup> John Bozman who is a very deserving man & that I hoped therefore he would comply with M<sup>r</sup> Leeds's Desire & give him a Letter to that purport to M<sup>r</sup> Dulany which might be presented as soon as M<sup>r</sup> Leeds may think proper" As M<sup>r</sup> Leeds was never favoured with such a Letter the Change has not been yet made but as he is still solicitous it should & has by his long & frequent Attendance on the Affair of the Divisional Lines almost ever since the Agreement was entered into by His Ldp's Father endeavoured to render the Government here acceptable Service I flatter Myself he will not be refused a Favour which hath been often granted to old Clerks of Counties & to three or four within these few years who had not I think so good pretensions as the Gentleman on whose Behalf I make this Application. In my last Letter I informed you that after making eight new Laws a List of which I inclosed you the Assembly had broke up on the 27<sup>th</sup> of last Month; & that we had received a Copy of the Act of Parliament repealing the Stamp Act; As this was an Event so anxiously desired; You will not I suppose be surprized to find that there has been publick Rejoicings & Illuminations in most of the Towns of any Consequence throughout these Provinces, but as that is now all over Things seem to have returned again into the old Channel & even our Stamp Master M<sup>r</sup> Hood who kept away so long has ventured back & keeps Store again in this City. In a Letter I had the honour to