

will therefore be expedient for your Ldp to fill up the Vacancies Letter Bk. IV
& you would I am confident prefer Gentlemen of Abilities to that Station I shall take the liberty to recommend to your Ldp the present Attorney Gen^l M^r Rob^t Goldsborough as the most proper being next to M^r Holliday the most eminent practising Lawyer at present in the Province & of a very good Character; & unless your Ldp should think that the Appointment of M^r Walter Dulany at this time would throw too much Influence & Weight into the hands of One Family he would also I apprehend make a good Member being esteemed a Man of Abilities. There is indeed One M^r Beal Bordley a Brother of the late Commissary Gen^l & a Gentⁿ of very good Estate & Abilities who some years ago practised the Law whom I should recommend next to the Attorney Gen^l did he not hold the Clerkship of Baltimore County but unless he was to give up that to some other Person there might be some Impropriety in appointing him tho the Business of the Clerks Office is in fact transacted not by himself but his Deputy. Beside these there is One M^r Henry Holliday in Talbot County a Brother of the Lawyer a sensible & worthy Man; & M^r Plater in S^t Mary's County Son of the Gentⁿ of that Name who was of the Council about twelve years ago, a young Man much esteemed & of good Estate, & one M^r Cha^s Graham in Calvert County who has for many years lived there & as a Merch^t transacted a great Deal of Business with unblemished Reputation. In my Lett^r of the 6 of Aug^t I informed your Ldp that the Comm^{rs} appointed to sell the Mannours had advertised for Sale on the 28th of last Month two Parcels of Land lying in this County w^{ch} having some years ago become Escheat had been since leased out as the Mannours are leased, & had also advertised for Sale on the 8th of this Month your Ldps Mannour in Queen Anns County: It happened that on both Days M^r Dulany was very ill in Baltimore County & could not attend, the Land was therefore put up to Publick Sale by M^r Jordan & Myself but there were no Bidders on either Day except for one of the small Tracts in this County called Abington containing 100 Acres for which the Bidders went so far as 31^s sterling p^r Acre. We have this Day set up to Sale what remains unpatented of a small Mannour in Prince Georges County called Collington or Calverton of which we could only sell 65 Acres at £65. 2. 6 & 200 Acres at £200. 10. The next Mannour we have advertised for Sale is that in Kent County which is very good Land & ought to sell well, but the Scarcety of Money in the Province is at present so great that few People have much to command, & the Tenants who if they had Money could afford to give more for their respective Tenements than any other Persons are in general very poor,