

Letter Bk IV. Instance of S<sup>r</sup> Anthony Abdy your Ldp desires M<sup>r</sup> Robert Harrison of Dorchester County might be appointed the next Sheriff of that County I have noted him accordingly for that Office. Upon the Receipt of your Ldp's Instruction for calling M<sup>r</sup> Walter Dulany to the Council I gave that Gentleman Notice thereof & he was qualified a few Days afterwards so that there now remains only One vacant Seat which I hope will be soon filled with some other of the Gentlemen I took the liberty to mention to your Ldp in my Letter of the 22<sup>d</sup> of October last. As I shall by this Conveyance write a long Letter to M<sup>r</sup> Hamersley, & have probably already tired your Ldp with this I shall only add that with the utmost Respect I remain &c.

[Sharpe to Hamersley.]

Copy of 10<sup>th</sup> Letter to M<sup>r</sup> Hamersley. Dated Annapolis  
March 1767.

D<sup>r</sup> S<sup>r</sup>

M<sup>r</sup> Jordan having told me that a Ship of his will be ready to sail from Virginia for London very shortly I embrace the Opportunity to transmit an Answer to the two Letters you were pleased to write to me the 29<sup>th</sup> of Sept<sup>r</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> of Nov<sup>r</sup> last no Conveyance except by the Packet having before offered since I wrote to you the 8<sup>th</sup> of December. I am very sorry to find that His Ldp was displeas'd at the Letters being wrote to M<sup>r</sup> Calvert & that both His Ldp & you considered it as if the Commissioners asked M<sup>r</sup> Calverts Leave to sell Ann Arundel Mannour for say you "if he had the least Colour of Right his Consent was not to be asked & if he had not the Requisition was unnecessary" but I flatter myself that when His Ldp & you consider what induced the Commissioners to make such Application to M<sup>r</sup> Calvert you will see the Step in a very different light & think no more was done than was absolutely necessary & proper. I have hinted to His Ldp the Reasons that induced the Commissioners to advertize that Mannour first for Sale, when we agreed to do so we were so far from having any Suspicion of M<sup>r</sup> Calverts doing any thing to obstruct the Sale or deter Persons from Bidding that M<sup>r</sup> Dulany said he had understood from M<sup>r</sup> Calvert himself that he had given up all Pretensions to it but some Weeks after the Advertisement had been published We were told that M<sup>r</sup> Calvert had cautioned People against purchasing & in short were given to understand that unless he should publickly relinquish the Claim he had set up or we could produce all the Family Settlements which had been made & satisfy People who should come to bid that neither M<sup>r</sup> Calvert nor any one else had any the most distant Pretensions to the Mannour It