

Our said Cheife justice and Our said justices or any fowre or more of them (of which Our said trusty and welbeloved Councillour Jesse Wharton Esq^r and Our said Unckle and Secretary or one of them to be One) shall be a Sufficient Court for the determineing the pleas and matters of Equity aforesaid Wee doe hereby require and comānd you and every of you in and upon the ffaith and ffidelity which you Owe and in which you stand bound and holden unto us firmly enjoyning that in all things touching the Office and Offices of justice and justices aforesaid and to the conservation of us, Our peace, and the peace of Our said province you be fully and wholly Obedient and assisting unto Our said Cheife justice and justices respectively Wittnesse Our Selfe at Mattapenny the sevententh day of June in the first yeare of Our Dominion over Our said province of Maryland and in the yeare of Our Lord God One thousand six hundred Seventy Six

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Instructions Orders and Authorities to be observed and executed by Our Deputy Leivtenant Collonel Jesse Wharton dureing Our absence Out of Our Province of Maryland.

Charles Absolute Lord and proprietary of the provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltmore &c To Our Trusty and well beloved Jesse Wharton Esq^r Our Deputy Leivtenant of Our said Province and of Our Dominions thereunto belonging Greeting Wee doe hereby will require appoint and authorize you to Observe performe and execute the instructions directions and Authorities hereafter mentioned in such manner and forme as the same are hereby Ordered and directed to be Observed performed and executed, that is to say

ffirst that in case you shall happen to find your Selfe sicke or in danger at any time of death, you take care by your last will or other Instrument to appoint Our trusty and welbeloved ffreind Thomas Notley Gentleman to Succeed you in the Office and Offices of Goverment of and in Our said Province untill Wee shall appoint and authorize some other person to exercise and execute the said Offices And Wee doe hereby allow off, authorize and appoint the said Thomas Notley whom you shall so appoint as aforesaid to exercise and execute all and every the said Office and Offices powers and authorities whatsoever after your death untill Wee shall nominate and appoint some other person or persons to exercise and execute the same.

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