

Comission for L<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> & Dep<sup>ty</sup>s Govern<sup>rs</sup> under him.

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Charles Absolute Lord and Prop<sup>ty</sup> of the Provinces of Maryland & Avalon Lord Baron of Baltemore &c<sup>a</sup> To all the Inhabitants & people of Maryland, and all others to whom these p<sup>s</sup>ents shall come or any waies concern Greeeting. Whereas our present affaires doe require our leaveing this our Province for some moneths, and that dureing our absence out of our said Province wee have thought fitt and requisite, the chiefe Comand should be in our Deare Sonn Benedict Leonard Calvert Esq<sup>r</sup>

Benedict  
Leonard  
Calvert Esq<sup>r</sup>  
L<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup>

Know Yee therefore that wee have Given Granted and by these p<sup>s</sup>ents doe give and Grant unto our s<sup>d</sup> Deare Sonn the Office of Lievetenant Gen<sup>l</sup> Chiefe Captain, Chiefe Governo<sup>r</sup> and Command<sup>r</sup> and Chiefe Admirall both by Sea and Land of our Province of Maryland, and of all our Islands Territories and Dominions whatsoever, and of all and singular our Castles fforts ffortresses ffortifications munitions Shipps and Navyes in our said Province, Islands Territories and Dominions afores<sup>d</sup>

And him the said Benedict Leonard Calvert Wee doe make ordeine and constitute Lievetenant Generall Chiefe Captain, and Chiefe Admirall both by Sea and Land, Chiefe Governo<sup>r</sup> and Command<sup>r</sup> of our said Province Islands Territories and Dominions, and of all the Castles fforts Navyes, Ships, places, and things aforesaid bythese p<sup>s</sup>ents. To have hold occupy enjoy & exercise the said Office of Lievetenant Gen<sup>l</sup> Chiefe Captain and Chiefe Admirall Chiefe Governo<sup>r</sup> and Chiefe Command<sup>r</sup> as aforesaid with the app<sup>t</sup>ences unto our s<sup>d</sup> Deare Sonn Benedict Leonard Calvert by his Deputies in our absence by us to be appointed; And Wee doe likewise give and grant unto our s<sup>d</sup> Deare Sonn full power and Authority dureing the time of his haveing holding & enjoying the said Office before mentioned by his Deputies and Officers by us to be appointed to leavy Muster and traine all sorts of men of what Condition soever, or wheresoever borne in our said Province and Dominions for the time being remaineing: And in case of Insurrections assaults or approaching of any Enemy or Enemies, Pirate or Pirats, or other Robbers to make warr, and to pursue such Enemy or Enemies Pirates or Robbers as well by Sea as Land, and to Vanquish and take them, and being soe taken to putt them to death by the Law of Warr or to save them at his pleasure. And by his Deputies by us to be appointed to doe all and every thing which unto the charge and Office of a Captain Gen<sup>l</sup> of an Army or Admirall of a ffleete belongeth.