

Lib. R. R. R. within mentioned George Talbott, and there made a demand of him, and the Cap<sup>t</sup> told me, if I could take him by force I might have him, not else,

Roger Brooke shff:

At a Councill held at Rich Neck the ffifth day of November Anno Dmi: 1684:

The hon <sup>ble</sup>	{	Coll Thomas Tailor	} Present
		Coll Henry Darnall	
		Coll William Digges	
		Coll W <sup>m</sup> Burges	
		Maj <sup>r</sup> Nicholas Sewall	

Ordered as yesterday that a Letter be writt to the Lord Effingham Governo<sup>r</sup> of Virginia to demand the delivery up of Coll Talbott to this Governm<sup>t</sup> for his tryall &c<sup>a</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> was accordingly done as foll:

Councils Letter to the Lord Effingham in demand of Coll. Talbott.

Maryland Novemb 5<sup>th</sup> 1684:

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The late horrid murd<sup>r</sup> committed on board his Maj<sup>ties</sup> Ketch in Pottuxen River within this Province on ffriday night last upon the body of M<sup>r</sup> Christopher Rousby his Maj<sup>ties</sup> Collecto<sup>r</sup> by Coll George Talbott of this Province a Prisoner now on board the said Ketch, We doubt not will reach your Eares before this cann possibly reach your hands, and is the motive of this trouble to your Exn<sup>cy</sup> by the two persons herewith entrusted, to whom please to give all faith and credence, and accept of their address, The occasion whereof we recommend to you in manner following (viz:)

Soe soone as wee had rec<sup>d</sup>: the Information Wee did (as we conceived our selves in Duty bound) issue out warrants for the apprehending the Murderer, and being advertised that he was detained a prisoner on board the Ketch, did some of us p<sup>ersonally</sup> goe on board the Ketch, and make demand of the prisoner to be delivered up to Justice, but the Command<sup>r</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Allen peremptorily refused to deliver him, affirming that by his Commission and Instructions he was upon all occasions to apply himself to your Exn<sup>cy</sup> for orders and directions how to proceed, and accordingly hath taken the prisoner away in pursuance of his said Commission and Instructions.

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