

Original being granted to me in the Kings patent as an appendent
Journal. Right alwise belonging to and Exercised by the Secretary,
The Gouverno^r could forbid me the Execucōn thereof or dispose
of the same by his particular Comīssion as he hath done to
M^r John LLewellin.

M^r Speaker & Gentl^m of this Assembly I haue further to
acquaint & Inform you that I haue lately by my Lett^r to the
Hon^{ble} his Maj^{ties} Councill demanded admittance again into
their body as first Councillor appointed by his Maj^{tie} himselfe
in Case of the Gou^rno's death, to take up & Execute his said
Comīssion by and with the Advice of his Councill of Mary-
land, till his Maj^{ties} pleasure be further knowne, And haue
expressed my desire & readiness to obey his Maj^{ties} Comānd
as I ought to doe, But from the performing of which my duty,
I am hindred, being forceably detained by Coll Warren
Sherriffe of Charles County; And haue by the Gent of the
Hon^{ble} Councill been refused to be admitted to my right & to
doe my duty to his Maj^{tie} & this Province.

I doe therefore further Request of you Gen^t by a ffree Confe-
rence to debate with them the reasons of their persisting to
Exclude me, And to come to such conclusion in this Affaire of
soe great Consequence as may best suite to his Maj^{ties} Service,
And to the peace Union and happyness of the Governing
powers and all the Kings good Subjects of Maryland.

I am Gentlemen with all Respect
Your very Humble Servant
Thomas Laurence

p. 7 By his Ex^{ncie} the Gouverno^r and Councill.
Maryland ss.

Whereas it hath Sufficiently appeared & been made mani-
fest to this Board That S^r Thomas Laurence Barronett is
Guilty of seuerall high Crimes and Misdemeano^rs by him
done and Comītted, and wherewith he stands charged in the
Miseazance of his Office, The Breach of his Oath, and the
trust reposed in him, The Open violation of the Knowne
Laws & Statutes of the Kingdom of England, The Betraying
of their Maj^{ties} Interest & Soueraigne Authority here Legally
Established associateing & confederating with, Countenancing,
Aiding, Cherishing and Abetting their Open & professed as
well as private & secret Enemies, contrary to the peace of our
Soueraigne Lord & Lady the King & Queen their Crowne
and Dignity, And tending to the disturbance of their Maj^{ties}
good Subjects the Inhabitants of this Province, and to divert
them from their due & Naturall Loue & affection true faith &
allegiance to their Maj^{ties} and alsoe to deceive and defraud
them of their Just rights and Properties.