

Ordrs & In-  
structions to  
the Rangers

Ordered that the Rangers by Act of Assembly appointed to keep Ranging vpon the ffrontiers of this province take care to settle themselves to inhabite (some time this Spring) beyond all the inhabitants plantations scituate vpon the ffrontiers as aforesaid, and that they keep an exact Journall of all their proceedings & obser-  
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uations made in their Ranging & return an Acco<sup>t</sup> thereof vnto his Excell at the Port of Annapolis, at least once a Month, if opportunity & conveniency of conveying the same offers; And that a new Lieuten<sup>t</sup> from the Cap<sup>t</sup> of each party of Rangers be p<sup>r</sup>esented, who may be proper to assist & Officiate pursuant to the directions of the late Act of Assembly passed to the said Effect, hereby requiring those Rangers (so settling themselves) to cohabite & live vpon the settlem<sup>ts</sup> afores<sup>d</sup> all Winter And that the Commander of the Rangers vpon potomock do Range to the ffalls of patapsco and those of patapsco to Range to according as the Law directs

And further that they observe the Law made about the Rangers, and that they make & marke severall pathis & take  
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care to take vp all suspicious persons travelling without passes, and that the Road which they find to be the best & nighest Road, that they double marke the same That they make severall Cabins vp & down the Woods & Cut down a great many trees thereabouts and make as great a show as they can of their being there, and that they Examine what Indians they meet with, and if they find them doing any vnlawfull Act, that they secure them, and vpon resistance that they vse force; and if there is absolute Necessity endeavour to kill them, but (if not) to vse them civilly & give them all lawfull assistance. If please God any accident should happen to them of meeting with an Enemy, that they im<sup>mediatly</sup> send his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> an Account thereof, and that they send to one another, and to the Militia Officers scituate next vpon the ffrontiers, hereby commanding such Officers to Raise the Militia vnder their Command, for their Aid & assistance which said Militia Officers are immedi- atly to send to the Colonel of the County to give him an Account thereof, who is hereby Ordered to Raise the whole Militia of his County for their Aid & Assistance likewise.

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Platers Re-  
port vpon  
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Wilmores  
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The Report of the hono<sup>ble</sup> Edward Randolph Esq<sup>r</sup> Dep<sup>ty</sup> Audito<sup>r</sup> & George Plater Esq<sup>r</sup> his Ma<sup>ts</sup> Receiver Gen<sup>ls</sup> vpon an Ord<sup>r</sup> of Reference to them made from this Board concerning a petition here presented by Symon Wilmore of Kent County therein humbly praying the remittance of a ffyne of 2500<sup>ls</sup> tobo imposed vpon him by the Commissioners  
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of Kent County in the time of the Revolution, being here Read & considered;