

Produced and Read the following motion of the hon^{ble} S^r Thomas Laurence Barron^t Secretary, Viz^t Lib. H. D. Whitehall

S^r Thomas Laurence humbly moveth yo^r Ex^{ncy} and this hon^{ble} Board.

Motion of S^r Thomas abt his Mats Ord^r in Councill That Whereas his Ma^{ty} Ord^r in Councill of the 13th of febr^y 1695, and which was Recorded in the Councill Book May the 20th 1696, hath settled the Land Office in this Province, a Publick notification thereof may be made that all Patents which have been passed since the coming in of the s^d Ord^r of Councill may be Recorded in the Secretaries Office and that Coll: Henry Darnall & M^r Carroll may be cautioned not to deliver any Patents to the Parties concern'd till they have been Recorded in the s^d Office according to his Ma^{ty} Ord^r Whitehall

Thomas Laurence

The which was by Ord^r indorsed as followes, Viz^t

By his Ex^{ncy} the Govern^r and Councill &c^{ca} p. 411
October the 9th 1696. Whitehall

Ordered that the within matter be Referred to M^r Attorney & Sollicito^r Gen^l for them to make Report what is proper to be done therein, Referring them to Consult his Ma^{ty} Royall Ord^r in Councill.

Signed p Ord^r Hen: Denton C. Concil.

The Report thereon followes, Viz^t

Mr Attorney & Sollicitor Gen^l Report upon the Ord^r of Councill &c^{ca} To his Ex^{ncy} in Councill. I am humbly of Opinion that the properest Method to be taken is by a Proclamation to Notifye to all persons what places their Patents are to be Recorded in; and also a precept to my Lords Agent &c^{ca} not to deliver any Patents till they be Recorded in the Secretaries Office as his Ma^{ty} Ord^r directs, which is humbly Submitted to yo^r Ex^{ncy} by

Yo^r most obedient Serv^{ts}
George Plater Whitehall
W^m Dent

Ordered that a Proclamation and precept issue accordingly.

Maryland ss

Mr Denton's Nav^l Officers Bond &c^a Know all men by these p^rsents that We Henry Denton and Charles Carroll of the Province of Maryland afores^d Gentl. are holden and ffirmly p. 56