

Ord^r for His Ex^{ncy} the Govern^r and Council do Agree Lib. H. D.
 Copy of the with the Sense and Opinion of the Justices of the
 sd Peticōn be sent to Each Provincially Court and Grand Jury as to the within
 respective mention'd premises, and do Ord^r thereon as it is
 County hereby Ordered that Copy of the same be sent to Whitehall
 the Sheriff of Each respective County and p^rsented to the
 Justices and Grand Jury of the severall County Courts to be
 held in Jan^{ry} next for their Opinions thereon to be given,
 which afterwards they are to Return unto his Ex^{ncy} at the Port
 of Annapolis with all possible Speed.

Decembe^r the 12th 1696.

The Council again Sate and were p^rsent,
 His Ex^{ncy} Francis Nicholson Esq Cap^t Gen^{ll} &^{ca}

S^r Thomas Laurence Baron^t Secretary,
 Coll: John Addison
 The hon^{ble} Coll: John Courts
 Thomas Brooke Esq } Whitehall

Ord^r abt 20 Ordered that George Plater Esq (his Ma^{ts} Re-
 peices of ceiver) pay unto the Man of Warrs Gunner, Twenty
 Eight to be paid to the pieces of Eight out of the Quarter part of the 1^s p
 Man of Warrs Gunner hhd. in Satisfaction of ffitting the six hundred ffusees.
 Came M^r Will^m Dent and made Oath to his Nav^{ll} Whitehall
 Officers Acco^t commencing february Anno 1695, until this
 day made up.

Produced and Read the following Peticōn, Viz^t

To his Ex^{ncy} Francis Nicholson Esq Cap^t Gen^{ll} and Com-
 mander in Chief in and Over this his Ma^{ts} Province of Mary-
 land &^{ca}

The humble Peticōn of William Dent one of the Attorneys
 of the Prov^{ll} Court.

Mr Dents Humbly Sheweth.
 Peticōn abt That in Obedience to yo^r Ex^{ncys} Commands I have
 his Assist- from the 13th day of Nov^r 1694, Assisted M^r George
 ance in the Solicitors Plater his M^{ts} Attorney Gen^{ll} of this Province as Whitehall
 place &^{ca} Sollicitor Gen^{ll} in all his Ma^{ts} Pleas of the Crown
 both Criminall and Civill and have Refused to take any ffees
 of any p^rson where his Ma^{ts} intrest has been Concern'd save
 only what I was Engaged in when yo^r Ex^{ncy} laid yo^r Commands p. 436
 on me.

That I have not as yet Rec^d anything of Salary for such my