

Councillors in our said province Untill they shall be Confirmed by vs or that by the Nomination of others by vs vnder our Lib. H. D.  
Signe Manuall & Signet the said Councill shall have Seaven persons in it And Wee doe hereby Give & Grant Unto you p. 3  
full power & Authority with the Advice & consent of our said Councill from time to time as need shall Require to Sumon & Call Generall Assemblies of the ffreeholders within your Governm<sup>t</sup> according to the Usage of our Province & Territory of Maryland Our Will & Pleasure is that the persons therevpon duly Elected by the Major part of the ffreeholders of the respective Counties and places and so Returned And having before their siting taken the Oaths appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken instead of the Oaths of Allegiance & Supremacy as also the Test which you shall Comissionate fit persons vnder our Seale of Maryland to Administer vnto them and without taking which none shall be Capable siting though Elected shall be Called and held the Generall Assembly of that our province And that you the said ffrancis Nicholson by and with the consent of our said Councill & Assembly or the Major part of them respectively have full power & Authority to make Constitute & Ordaine Laws Statutes & Ordinances for the publick peace Welfare & good Governm<sup>t</sup> of our said Province and the people and Inhabitants thereof And such others as shall Resort thereto and for the benefit of Us our heirs & Successors Which said Laws Statutes & Ordinances are to be as neare as may be Agreeable to the Laws & Statutes of this our Kingdome of England Provided that all such Laws Statutes & Ordinances of what Nature or duration soever be within three Months or sooner after the making thereof Transmitted Unto Us vnder our Seale of Maryland for our Approbation or disallowance of the same as also Duplicates thereof by the next Conveyance or if it shall happen that during this time of Warr no shipping shall Come from our said province within three Months after the making such Laws Statutes & Ordinances whereby the same may be transmitted as afors<sup>d</sup> that then the said Laws Statutes & Ordinances be Transmitted Unto Us by the next Conveyance after the making thereof for our Approbation or disallowance of the same And in case any or all of them being not before Confirmed by Us shall at any time be disallowed & not Approved and so signified by vs our Heirs & Successors Under our or their Signe Manuall & Signet or by Order of our or their privy Councill Unto you the said ffrancis Nicholson or to the Comander in Cheife of our said province for the time being then such & soe many of them as shall be so disallowed and not Approved shall from thence for Cease, determine & become Utterly p. 4  
Voyd & of None Effect any thing to the contrary thereof