

Annis seven Pounds ten shillings due him per Acc<sup>t</sup> passed by C. B. the Dep<sup>y</sup> Aud.

By his Excellency Thomas Johnson Esquire Governor of Maryland

A Proclamation

That no Excuse may be left to those who may riotously break the Peace and disturb the order essential to the happiness of the Public and the Security of Individuals I have thought fit with the Advice of the Council, being induced thereto by Complaints of recent Outrages and Threats to repeat and extend them to warn all Persons in this State against raising or joining in any riotous Assembly or Proceeding as highly illegal and to notify and declare that they will by such unwarrantable Conduct subject themselves to the necessary and exemplary Punishments inflicted by the Law And all Judges, Justices and Officers of Justice in this State are required according to the Duties of their Offices to prevent and Suppress all such Riots and to put those who may commit them in a due Course of Law, Given at Annapolis this Eleventh Day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and seventy nine

Th. Johnson

By his Excellency's Command

T. Johnson Jun<sup>r</sup> Sec<sup>y</sup>  
God save the State

[Council to N. Smith.]

c. c.

In Council 11<sup>th</sup> May 1779

Sir.

After having received the Inrollment of those of the Baltimore Matrosses, which appeared to us to correspond with that directed by the Convention, who had petitioned for a Discharge; we imagine that we should have heard nothing more on that Subject, especially as we understood that the Men did not afterwards appear dissatisfied; but two of the Petitioners yesterday laid before us their Affidavits as well as those of the other Petitioners, in all of which they alledge their having engaged only for a year. Desirous of doing Justice, which can only be done by a thorough Investigation of the Truth, it is necessary to examine you on Oath and for that Purpose we request your Attendance as soon as well may be and that you permit two, three or four of the Petitioners who may be agreeable to the others to attend at the same Time.

They also complain that there's a full Suit of Cloathing