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Geo: Layfield Came George Layfield Esq Collr of his mats Lib. H. D. Esq makes Oath to 3 Lists Customs for the District of Pocomoke and proof Ships & is duced three lists of the Severall Ships and Vessells Order'd to Enter'd and Cleard by him within the sd District send over 1: more of each from the time of the Governmt of his late Exncy Sort &ca Lyonell Copley Esq Comencing Signifying that he had already sent Copyes of the Same to the Honrible the Com¹⁸ of his ma¹⁵ Customs. He is Ordered to send over one of a Sort of the sd Copyes more he having Recd: one of the last sort to Carry back to Amend.

Mr Rd Beards
Pet & Ordr of
Reference.

Vpon a Peticon preferr'd by Mr Richard Beard P. 489
to Redress some abuse by him lately Recd: from
Capt Richard Hill. He was Referred from this
Board to make his Case known to the House of Delegates.

Wm Lowes
Pet & Ordr
of Reference.

A Peticon of Wm Lowe of Dorchester County
for Remittance of a ffine of 50¹¹ Sterl. was by Ordr
Referred to the Kings Lawyers & to George
Plater Esq as his mats Receiver to see if any Relief were to be
had for the Peticon

Madam Eliz: Vpon Motion made by Madam Eliza Blackiston Blackistons Adm'x of Coll: Nehemiah Blackiston decd: how pet for leave to sue Capt that Capt John Oldton Comandr of the Party of Oldton for a Rangers in Baltemore County was indebted to Debt &ca was Referred to her sd Husbands Estate (by bill) in the Sume of the sd Oldton fforty Shillings Sterl. and unto Edward Wynn (by to make Answer &ca a Certain Bond under his hand and Seal, Assum'd over to the sd Coll: Blackiston) in the Sume of 120011 of Tobacco; both produced at the Board, but Refused paym of the Same; therefore humbly Prayed leave might be granted Ordered that the her to sue forth legall process against him. sd Mattr be Referred to the sd Capt Oldton to make Answer to this Board the Reason of such his Denyall, and then some further Ord shall be given therein.

May the 28th 1697.

The Councill again Sate and were present as Yesterday with the Addition of the honrble Coll: John Courts.

Produced by his Exney to the Board a Letter Connail for Trade &ca Lre of Quæries Lre of Quæries to his Excy Reed.

Produced by his Exney Containing Severall Quæries & Instructions by him Recd: from the Rt honrble the Lords of the Councill for Trade and fforreign Plantacons Dated the 25th of September last past, which being Read was to the Gen'l Satisfaction of this Board, who imediately