

Thomas Tench Esq^r is concern'd. Ordered that the same be Lib. H. D.
tryed this night, and th^t the Attorneys on both sides concern'd have notice thereof accordingly.

S^r Thomas Laurence came and is added.

Produced & read an Oath drawn up by his Maj^{ties} Lawyers to be taken by his Ex^{ncy} the Govern^r and his Maj^{ties} Hono^{ble} Councill as Iudges of his Maj^{ties} most Hono^{ble} Court of Appeals and writts of Error. Whereupon his Ex^{ncy} is pleased p. 587
to aske if they have anything to object against it, who say they have nothing to object but think the same very proper

Ordered that the Hono^{ble} Coll Henry Iowles Keeper of the Broad Seale of this his Maj^{ties} Province Administer the said Oath to his Ex^{ncy} and the severall Members of his Maj^{ties} Hono^{ble} Councill present, and were sworn accordingly his Ex^{ncy} ffrans^s Nicholson Esq^r Cap^t Gen^l &^{ca} S^r Thomas Tench Esq^r Coll^s Charles Hutchins Thomas Brooke Esq^r James ffrisbey Esq^r

The s^d Oath follows in these words Viz^t

The Oath of a Iudge of his Majesties most hono^{ble} Court of Appeals & writts of Error, according to an Act of Assembly composed of his Maj^{ties} Govern^r & hono^{ble} Councill of Maryland.

You do Swear that as Iudge of his Maj^{ties} most Hono^{ble} Court of Appeals and writts of Error in Maryland in all Articles, causes and things that shall or may come before you in Iudgment you shall do equall Right to the poore as well as to the Rich to the best of your knowledge, skill & Iudgment, according to the Laws, & constitution of England and this Province. All fines and Amerciaments that shall happen to be made and all fforfietures w^{ch} shall fall before you, you shall cause to be entred without any concealment and Certify the same to his Majesties Receivers of this Province you shall not debarr or hinder the prosecution of Iustice nor take any guift, ffee or Reward for the delaying of Iudgment; but shall behave and demeane your selfe justly and truly to the best of your understanding, so long as you shall continue in this Office or untill you shall be Lawfully discharged therefrom.

So help you God.

Ordered that notice be given to the respective Counties that it was his Ex^{ncys} intent to have seen the severall Troops & Companies this fall; but the Court comeing on & this disturbance of Indians happening, he could not gett time, but intends (God willing) this Winter or in the Spring at farthest