Proprietary of this Province and do equal right to all his Majestys Subjects to the best of my Understanding Skill and P. 167 Knowledge I will not debar or hinder the Prosecution of Justice nor take any Gift Bribe Reward or fee for the delaying thereof but will behave my self justly and truly and hear Act Judge Decree and determine all matters that shall regularly come before me for determination according to equity and Good Conscience according to the duty of my said Office and according to the best of my Knowledge during my Continuance in the said Office or until I shall

be by Lawful Authority Discharged therefrom
So help me God

All which said Oaths were Administred to his Excellency by the members of his Lordships Honourable Council now present

After the taking the several Oaths aforesaid his Honour the Governor Subscribed the Oath of Abjuration and Test according to the directions of the Act of Assembly aforesaid

Advised Resolved and Ordered that a Proclamation be forthwith Issued for the Publication of his Excellency the Governors Commission and directing all Officers Civil & Military to Continue in the Execution and discharge of their several Offices until his Excellencys Pleasure shall be further known and signified therein which Proclamation being prepared is as follows viz<sup>t</sup>

By the Honble Benedict Leonard Calvert Lieutenant General and Governor in Chief in and over his Lordships Province of Maryland and Vice Admiral of the same

## A Proclamation

Whereas Charles Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore p. 168 &c by his Commission under his Great Seal of Arms bearing date at London the 14th day of March in the thirteenth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord King George Annoq Dni 1726 Has with the Approbation of his most Sacred Majesty been pleased to Constitute me the said Benedict Leonard Calvert his Captain General and Governor in and over this his Lordships Province of Maryland and the Lands Islands and Territories thereunto belonging which said Commission was this day published in the presence and hearing of the members of his Lordships honble Council and others the Kings Subjects his Lordships Tenants in this Province at the City of Annapolis I have therefore by and with the