

Humbly Sheweth

Lib. C. B.

That at the last Election of Vestrymen for the said Parish M^r John Beall and D^r David Ross were Elected Vestrymen and M^r John Row Church warden that M^r Beall offered to Qualify himself to Act but D^r Ross and M^r Row never appeared to Qualify themselves and therefore [no objection] was or could be made to them That the said M^r Beall was objected to because he was Publickly known to be a Disenter from the Church of England and therefore could not be Supposed to be a friend to its Discipline But whether the above Objection be a Legal one by the Laws in force in this Province is humbly Submitted to the Decision of your Excellency & Honours M^r Beall not being Content to bring the Validity & Legality of his Election into dispute hath taken upon himself to asperse your Petitioner and the rest of the Vestry with having misapplied the Parish Money or Tobacco that fell into their hands in General Terms without mentioning one particular Fact altho often called upon so to do In View of Slandering your Petitioner (as he apprehends) and the rest of the Vestry Your Petitioner therefore humbly Prays that the said M^r Beall may be ordered to Produce in writing the Instances of the Misapplication (if any such have been) He alludes to in his Petition that those who are Charged may have an Opportunity of Vindicating their Characters. p. 446

H Addison

Upon reading the foregoing Petition of several of the freeholders of King Georges Parish, and the Remonstrance of the reverend M^r Henry Addison Rector of the said Parish, It is the Sense of this Board, and It is accordingly ordered that the Vestrymen of King Georges Parish admit the said John Beall as a Vestryman of the said Parish on his taking the Oaths directed by the Acts of Assembly of this Province

7th June 1751

Ordered by his Excellency the Governor that the following Proclamation issue

Maryland ss.

By his Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq^r Governor & Comm^r
in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland

A Proclamation

Whereas His Majestys Commands have been signified to me by His Grace the Duke of Bedford One of his Maj^{ty}s principal Secretary's of State by his Grace's Letter of the 17th of