

Revenue Give to all Intents and purposes both in Law & Equity to the Persons Complying with the requisites aforesaid a full discharge from & against all purchase Money and Arrearages of Rent whatsoever, that may be due & Payable to us from the Respective dates of such Original Grants for or by Reason of such Surplus lands as af<sup>d</sup> any thing in any former Proclamation or Instruction Contained to the Contrary hereof in any wise notwithstanding.

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And this Our Proclamation we have Caused to be Entered on Record in our said Land Office and other offices of Our Revenue there to Remain as a Rule and direction to Our proper officers touching the Premises Witness Our trusty and welbeloved Horatio Sharpe Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor & Commander in Chief of Our said Province this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January in the fifth year of Our Dominion Annoq Domini 1756—

At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Tuesday the 23<sup>d</sup> day of March in the fifth year of his Lordships Dominion Annoque Domini 1756:

Present

the honble	{	Benjamin Tasker Esq <sup>r</sup>	} Col: Benjamin Tasker	
		Colonel Hammond		} Richard Lee Esq <sup>r</sup>
		Sam <sup>l</sup> Chamberlaine Esq <sup>r</sup>		} Benedict Calvert Esq <sup>r</sup>

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Papers:

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Within three or four Days I have received several Letters from the Magistrates in different Parts of this province informing me that those of his Majesty's Officers who have been ordered hither to recruit have lately received your positive Instructions to enlist without Exception or Distinction, all Apprentices and Servants they can perswade to enter into the Service, that the Inhabitants having a great part of their property vested in Servants, unanimously oppose the Execution of such Instructions, that on such opposition Violences have been committed, and that unless their Cause of Complaint be speedily removed an Insurrection of the people is likely to ensue, the Magistrates as well as myself have and shall endeavour to prevent mischief, but as the Officers are determined to persist, I cannot promise that the People will be much longer restrained from expressing their Resentment by Actions: I think it my Duty to make this Representation to your Excellency, and hope you will not