

At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August in the Ninth year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1759. Lib. J. R.  
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Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq. Governor

The Honble { Benjamin Tasker Esq<sup>r</sup> } D Dulany Esq<sup>r</sup>  
                  { Col<sup>o</sup> Charles Hammond }  
                  { Col<sup>o</sup> Benjamin Tasker } S Bordley Esq<sup>r</sup>

His Excellency is Pleased to lay before this Board the following Letter and report p. 323

Sir

I Transmit to you a Copy of a Letter which I Received from the Judges of the Court of Oyer and Terminer Lately held at Lewis for the County of Sussex. the Grand Jury rejected a Bill laid before them by the Attorney General against John Willey for the Murder of William Outten, but found one for Manslaughter to which he pleaded Guilty and was branded with the Letter M, on the brawn of the left Thumb.

The Judges at my Instance gave a Strict Charge to the Inhabitants who live near the Borders to be Particularly Careful of their Behaviour and to live Peaceably and Friendly with their Neighbours of Maryland giving no just Cause of Offence: and I am Persuaded if the Magistrates of the Bordering Counties in your Province are ordered to do their Duty and will forbear to extend their Process to Places quietly Possed for a course of years by M<sup>r</sup> Penns Tenants and not reputed to be within the Maryland Jurisdiction that the Peace will be Well Preserved and no more of these Unhappy Quarrels break out

We may every day expect to hear that the agreement between the two Proprietarys of the two Provinces which is said by M<sup>r</sup> Penn to be so far Advanced will be completed and an end thereby Put to all doubts about Property and Jurisdiction.

I am Sir

Your Excellencys most Obed<sup>t</sup>  
and most Humble Serv<sup>t</sup>

William Denny

His Excellency Governor Sharpe.

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At the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and Goal delivery held at Lewis in Sussex on the 25<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> Instant: