Lib. J. R. At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Wednesday & U. S. the 30<sup>th</sup> day of October in the fourth year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1754.

## Present

 $\label{eq:thehonble} \begin{cases} \operatorname{Benjamin} \operatorname{Tasker} \operatorname{Esq^r} \\ \operatorname{Col} \operatorname{Charles} \operatorname{Hammond} \end{cases} \\ \begin{array}{l} \operatorname{Col} \operatorname{Bejamin} \operatorname{Tasker} \\ \operatorname{Benedict} \operatorname{Calvert} \operatorname{Esq^r} \\ \end{cases}$ 

His Excellency having been pleased by his Letter from Virginia directed to the President of this Board to signify his Desire that the Gentlemen of the Council should meet immediately and consider whether It might not be proper that the present General Assembly should be dissolved and of the Time proper to call a New Assembly, and the Gentlemen of the Council being made acquainted with his Excellencys Pleasure They accordingly met this Day, and taking the same into Consideration, Ordered that Proclamation issue to dissolve the present General Assembly, and that Writts of Election issue to call a New Assembly returnable the tenth Day of December next.

At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Monday the 4th day of November in the fourth year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1754.

## Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor

 $\begin{array}{c} The \\ honourable \end{array} \begin{cases} \begin{array}{c} Benjamin\ Tasker\ Esq^r \\ Col\ Charles\ Hammond \\ Col\ Edward\ Lloyd \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} Col\ Benj^n\ Tasker \\ Richard\ Lee\ Esq^r \\ Benedict\ Calvert\ Esq^r \end{array}$ 

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Commission

## F. Baltimore

Frederick Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon in America and Baron of Baltimore in the Kingdom of Ireland To our trusty & well beloved Horatio Sharpe Esquire Lieutenant General & Chief Governor of our said Province of Maryland Greeting Whereas His Majesty from the Great Confidence he has in your Military Skill and Abilities has thought it for the publick Service to constitute and appoint you Lieutenant Colonel of the Forces intended to be Sent against the Forces who have invaded his Majestys Dominions in the Province of Virginia and other parts of America. And I being desirous to further such his Majestys Royal Intention and to do all in my Power to oppose & repell the common Enemy and to Express the