Lib. J. R. twenty eighth year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord King & U. S. George the second, and in the fourth year of our Dominion over the said Provinces, Annoque Domini One thousand Seven hundred and fifty four.

> By his Lordships Command Cecil<sup>s</sup> Calvert Secretary

George R. George the Second by the Grace of God King of [Seal] Great Britain France and Ireland Defender of the faith &c. To our trusty and welbeloved Horatio Sharpe Esq<sup>r</sup> Greeting We Reposing Especial Trust and Confidence in your Loyalty Courage & Experience in Military affairs do by these presents constitute and appoint you to be Lieutenant Colonel of Foot in the West Indies, and do give and Grant unto you full Power and Authority to take your Rank as Lieutenant Colonel of foot in the West Indies only and you are therefore to take upon you the said Charge and Command of Lieutenant Colonel of foot as aforesaid and Carefully and Diligently to Discharge the duty thereof by doing and performing all and all manner of things thereunto belonging, and we do hereby Command all officers and Soldiers to obey you as Lieutenant Colonel of foot in the West Indies and you are to observe and follow such orders and directions from time to time as you shall Receive from us, our Captain General of Our Forces or any other your Superiour officer according to the Rules and Discipline of War in pursuance of the Trust We hereby Repose in you. Given at our Court at Kensington the fifth day of July 1754 in the Twenty eight year of Our Reign

> By his Majestys Command T Robinson

Entered with the Secretary at War Edw<sup>d</sup> Lloyd

Horatio Sharpe Esq<sup>r</sup> Lieutenant Colonel of foot in the West Indies

Whitehall 5th July 1754.

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It is with a particular Satisfaction that I herewith Send you his Majestys Commission appointing you to be Lieutenant Col of foot in America with an allowance of 30° p day to be paid you by Mr Dinwidie Lieutenant Governor of Virginia from the day that you leave your Government to that of your return I am likewise to Signify to you the Kings Orders that you should take upon you the Command of the Combined Forces that shall be Assembled in America to