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Having soon after the Conclusion of the last Session transmitted to the Lord Proprietary the Report and Address you presented to me the 27<sup>th</sup> May last on Occasion of the Instruction I had then laid before you I was lately favoured with another Instruction from his Lordship revoking the former and he is pleased to assure me that such is his Confidence in your Wisdom Zeal and Attachment to his Service that whatever we shall recommend will at all times engage his ready Compliance, and that we cannot give him greater Satisfaction than by pointing out how he may give Satisfaction to Ourselves and to the People of this Province.

13<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1766.

Hor<sup>o</sup> Sharpe.

At a Council held at the Council Chamber on Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup> November in the sixteenth year of his Lordship's Dominion Anno Domini 1766.

Present

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

The honble Benjamin Tasker, Benedict Calvert, and John Ridout Esq<sup>rs</sup>

Read the following Petition of Edward Owens of Frederick County.

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The Petition of Edward Owens of Frederick County humbly Sheweth.

That your Petitioners Servant William White on or about the Seventh day of October last was Committed to the Custody of the Sheriff of Prince Georges County for Stabbing a certain Benedict Wood of the said County, your Petitioner further shews to your Excellency that the said Benedict Wood by means of the Stabbing aforesaid languished until the seventh day of November Ins<sup>t</sup> or thereabouts on which day he died; your Petitioner therefore prays your Excellency to grant him an Especial Commission of Oyer and Terminer &c. for the Tryal of the said William White as his laying in Goal until the next Court of Assize for that County will be attended with very great Loss and Damage to your Petitioner, and your Petitioner as in Duty

bound will pray

20<sup>th</sup> November 1766.

Edward Owens.