

At a Council held at the Governor's on Wednesday the 15th day of April in the Sixteenth year of his Lordship's Dominion Anno Domini 1767. Lib. J. R.
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Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Governor.

The honble Benjamin Tasker, Benedict Calvert, Daniel Dulany and John Ridout Esq^s

His Excellency having been Pleased to represent to the Council that in Consequence of an Application from John Redick of Frederick County complaining that he was forcibly kept out of Possession of a Tract of Land called Carrolls Delight by Persons pretending to Deny the Jurisdiction of the Government of Maryland over the said Land and claiming to be within the Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania he had wrote a Letter to the honourable John Penn Esq^r Governor of Pennsylvania acquainting him therewith, And having laid before the Council for their Advice Governor Penn's Answer thereto, and also the Record of the Proceedings and Opinion of the Magistrates of Frederick County Court together with other Papers relative thereto, which are as follows. p. 452

Philadelphia 5th April 1767.

Sir

I received your Favor of the 26th March last by John Redick, who appears to have been very injuriously and cruelly treated and being sincerely disposed to assist him as well as to promote the Peace and Tranquility of the two Provinces, I could wish it were in my Power to afford him the Redress his wrongs so loudly demand. It appears that the Land of which he has been dispossessed was granted by Lord Baltimore in the year 1735. and was possessed under that Grant in the year 1738. when the Royal Order for settling the Temporary Line was made, by that Order the Possessions of Lands, though beyond the Temporary Limit prescribed by it, and the Jurisdictions of the respective Proprietors, were to remain as they then were till the boundaries between the two Provinces should be finally settled.

The Right of Jurisdiction therefore depends on the Determination of a previous Question, which is, Whether what the Commissioners have hitherto done is a final Settlement of the Boundaries; and I confess I cannot help being of Opinion, that as things stand the matter is not yet brought to such an issue as to make it prudent for this Government to interpose on this Occasion and I am the more Confirmed in this Opinion because the Jurisdiction on either side the tangent Line still remains unchanged, though the boundaries have for some