

Davy upon the Evidence of Negro Weibly of their having with Wood preconcerted Ellson's Murder and their own free Confession of their presence at the Time the Fact was Committed and Assistance in endeavouring to Conceal the Murder tho no Evidence of their Striking. It seems to be the Opinion of many Gentlemen of the County as well as our own that it would be very proper to Execute the Legal Sentence on these Criminals in its full Rigour. We therefore beg leave to intimate this Matter to your Excellency that no part of this Sentence may be remitted unless your Excellency should think it expedient to order otherwise. We have Ordered the Clerk to transmit your Excellency a Transcript of the Proceedings, and are

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Your Excellency's most Obedient Servants  
John Cooke                      David Craufurd  
Jos<sup>s</sup> Beall                         Alex<sup>r</sup> Symmer  
W<sup>m</sup> Lock Weems                 Jos: Sprigg.

Whereupon his Excellency with the Advice of this Board was pleased to Order a Death Warrant to issue for the Execution of Negro Jack Wood on Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup> day of this Instant July pursuant to his Sentence and also a Death Warrant for the Execution of Negroes Davy and Jack Crain on the same Day and pursuant to the Sentence passed on them except that part thereof which directs their Right Hands to be Cut off, the same being remitted to the aforesaid Negroes Davy and Jack Crain. And Death Warrants were issued accordingly.

At a Council held at the Governor's on Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July in the Twentieth year of his Lordship's Dominion Anno Domini 1770. p. 113

Were Present

His Excellency Robert Eden Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor  
The Honble { Benedict Calvert Esq<sup>r</sup>     Walter Dulany Esq<sup>r</sup>  
                  { John Ridout Esq<sup>r</sup>                 George Steuart Esq<sup>r</sup>

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the Two following Petitions requesting their Opinion and Advice thereon.

To His Excellency Robert Eden Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland.

The humble Petition of Charles Ridgely Sen<sup>r</sup> Charles Ridgely of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland Iron Masters.