

Concurr with your house in what you think proper to do in his L. H. J. favour.

Signed p Order John Beard Cl Up. Ho

Whereupon the Recomendations aforesaid are read and ordered to be entered as follows Viz:

S^r Although M^r Lowe has Writ to you a great deal of my mind concerning M^r Humphreys, yet I won't Omit this opportunity to recommend him myself. He is a Gentleman for whom I have a great kindness, nay I may say friendship, and the better to show it I have given him my advice to pay you all the respect that is due to one upon whose favour he is intirely to Depend. I have directed him particularly not only to avoid the measures but even the Conversation of those who Oppose p. 78 you, and don't at all doubt but that a man of so good understanding as he is Master of, will pursue his true interest, which is to please you, and me at the Same time. I have been Very much Importuned to recomend M^r George Read to you, who is comeing to Maryland, which I do not for any particular thing, but as his future behaviour shall be.

I am Your most Humble Servant
Guilford

To John Hart Esq^r
Lieutenant Gover^r of Maryland.

28th May 1719

Gentlemen of the Upper and Lower house of Assembly

The circumstance of my health not permitting me to give my attendance in the Upper House as my duty and Inclination is to do, I am obliged in this manner to Signifye to you, That it is their Lordships Pleasure and request, a bill may be brought in to Qualifye M^r Humphreys (a particular friend to their Lordships) to hold any office or imployment notwithstanding he has not resided in this Province three years. Now the same favour haveing been shewn the late M^r Steele, I hope this will not meet with any Defficulty neither from the Upper nor Lower houses.

I herewith send you the Letter my Lord Guilford has honoured me with in favour of M^r Humphreys wherein his Lordship is pleased to express himself in a manner so much to his advantage, that I Doubt not it will be very prevailing with both houses for the ready passing the bill desired.

Jo: Hart