

U. H. J. twelve more which Prescribes the oath to be taken by the severall Justices within this Province. We observe that it is the same word for word with the former Law Provided for that purpose which his
 p. 12 Lordship lately dissented to and therefore we Cannot reasonably hope that if it should be again Enacted will be assented to by him; besides we are of opinion that the Clause in the oath which relates to the Statutes of England is too Generall and Introductive of all the Statutes of England (as well those limited and located as those that are not) to be in force here, And we further observe that the Justices by that Oath as it now stands, are obliged to determine according to the Statutes of England and the Acts of Assembly of this Province without any Distinguishing preferance given to our own Acts of Assembly (where Different provisions are made by them) from those of the Statutes of England so that the Justices are equally obliged to observe both, which is Impossible when those Statutes and our Acts of Assembly assign Different methods to be taken in the same Cases & wee are Induced to beleve that those or such like Inconsistances might induce His Lordship to Dissent [to this as] to the former Law. To avoid these Inconveniences for the future we purpose that a Conferance of both Houses be appointed to Consider of this affair and to Propose a proper Expedient to avoid the aforesaid Evill

Signd p order Geo. Plater Cl. Up. Ho.

Read the Petition of the Inhabitants of the City of Annapolis setting forth their right of Commonage and praying relief therein.

Ordered that the said Petition be thus Endorst Viz.

By the Uper house of Assembly October 17th 1727

Read and Recommended to the Consideracōn of the Lower house of Assembly

Sign'd p order Geo. Plater Cl. Up. Hou.

Sent by Phill Lee Esq^r

A Message from the Lower house by Coll Thomas Trueman Greenfeild and seven more Viz.

By the Lower house of Assembly October 17th 1727

May it Please your Hon^{rs}

On reading your message this Day by John Hall Esq^r and three others of your members this House has Resolved that a Conferance relateing to the form of the Oath of Judge or Justice be granted and for that Purpose have appointed Coll. Thomas Trueman Greenfeild James Harris Esq^r Leiu^t Coll Levin Gale Vachel Denton Esq^r John Beale Esq^r M^r Ralph Crabb Cap. Henry Hooper