

and Protect any person soe molested or troubled whereby hee may haue right don him for any damage which he shall suffer in that kind, And to the uttmmost of my power will cause all and euey such person or persons as shall molest and trouble any other person or persons in that manner to be punished I will faithfully serue his lo^p as his Channcellor and Keeper of his Great Seale of the Province comitted to my charge and Custody of his said Lo^{ps} Commission to me, to the best of my skill and vnderstanding. I will cause the impression in wax of the said Seale to be affixed to all such things as I haue or shall from tyme to tyme rccciuc Comission or Warrant for soe doing from his said Lo^p under his hand and Seale at Armes, and that it shall not be affixed to any other writting or thing whatsoever directly or indirectly with my privity Consent or knowledge I will doe my best endeouour carefully to preserue the said Great Seale in my Custody soe long as it shall please his said lo^p to continue me in the Charge and keeping thereof, to the end that it may not be lost stollne or vnlawfully taken from me, and whereby any other person may affix the impression thereof vnto any writteing or thing whatsoever without authority for soe doeing lawfully deriued or to be deriued from by or vnder a Commission or warrant vnder his said Lo^{ps} hand and Seale at Armes, And that I will truely and faithfully deliuer up againe the said Great Seale into the hands of such person or persons as his said Lo^p, or his heires shall appoint when his or their pleasure for that purpose shalbe signified vnto me vnder his or their hand and Seale at Armes, Soe helpe me God and by the Contents of this Booke.

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And after the said Henry Coursey tooke the seuerall Oathes of a Councillor and Secretary as followeth

The Oath of a Councillor of State in Maryland

I. A. B doe swear that I wilbe true and faithfull vnto the Right honno^{ble} Cæcilius Lord Barron of Baltemore the true and absolute Lord and Proprietary of this Province of Maryland, and his heires, and him and them, and his and their Rights Royall Jurisdiction, and Siginory all and euey of them in to and over the said Province and Ilands therevnto belonging, will at all tymes defend and maintaine to the uttmmost of my power, And will neuer accept of nor execute any place Office or imployment within the said Province any way concerning or relating to the Government of the said Province from any person or authority, but by from or vnder a lawfull authority deriued or to be deriued from tyme to tyme from his said Lo^p or his heires Lords and Proprietaries of the Province vnder his or their hand and Seale at Armes, The Peace and welfare of the People of this Province I will euer procure [as] farr [as] I can, I will ayde and assist the administring and execution of Justice in all things to my power. To none will I delay or deny Right for feare fauor

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