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P. C. R. or affection, I will to my best skill, and according to my heart and Conscience giue good and faithfull Councill to the said Lord and Proprietary and his heires, and to his and their Lieutenant or Chiefe Governor of this Province for the tyme being when therevnto I shalbe called, I will keepe secrett all matters committed, or revealed vnto me, or which shalbe moued or debated Secretly in Councill, and faithfully declare my minde and opinion therein, according to my heart and Conscience, And if any of the said Treaties or Councells shall touch any of the privy Councillors of this Province I will not reveale the same vnto him soe touched or Concerned, but will keepe the same Secrett vntill such tyme as by the Consent of the Lord Propriety or his Lieutenant or Chiefe Gouvernor here for the tyme being publication shalbe made thereof, I will also as a Councillor and as a Justice and Commissioner for the Conservation of the Peace of this Province Doe equall Right vnto the poore and to the Rich to the best of my vnderstanding & Judgment according to the Lawes from tyme to tyme in force within this Province, And in default thereof according to my best discession, And gennerally in all things will doe as a faithfull Councillor to the said Lord Proprietary. And I doe further sweare I will not by my selfe nor any other person directly, or indirectly trouble molest or discountenance any person whatsoever in the said Province professing to belieue in Jesus Christ for or in respect of his or her Religion nor in his or her ffree Exercise thereof within the said Province so as they be not vnfaithfull to his said Lo^p nor molest or Conspire against the Ciuill Government Established here vnder him Soe helpe me God and by the Contents of this Booke

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The Oath of the Lord Proprietaryes Secretary in Maryland.

I A. B. Do sweare that I wilbe true and faithfull to the Right honorable Cæcilus Lord Baron of Baltemore the true and absolute Lord and Proprietary of this Province of Maryland, and him and them, and his and their Rights Royall Jurisdictions Signiories, and all and euery of them in, to and over the said Province and Islands therevnto belonging will at all tymes defend and maintaine to the uttmost of my power, and will neuer accept of, nor execute any place office or imployment within the said Province any way concerning or relateing to the Gouvernment 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 Proprietaryes of the said Prouince vnder his and their hand and Seale at Armes. I will serue him faithfully as his Secretary in the said Province. To none will I wittingly or willingly delay or deny Right in what belongeth to my Office or Offices . . . matters
p. 378 to be by me recorded without falsification or Corruption for feare fauor or mallice of any person whatsoever to the best of my ability