

L. H. J.  
Liber No. 47  
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### The Oath of Secretary.

I A. B. do swear, that I will be true and faithful to the Right Honourable the true and absolute Lord and Proprietary of this Province of Maryland; and him and them, and his and their Rights, Royal Jurisdictions, Seigniories, and all and every of them, into and over the said Province, and Islands thereunto belonging, will at all Times defend and maintain to the utmost of my Power, I will serve 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 to do: I will increase no Fees, but be content with the Fees limited by Law. True Record I will keep of Judgments and other Matters to be by me recorded, without Falsification or Corruption, for Fear, Favour, or Malice, of any Person whatsoever, to the best of my Ability and Understanding. So help me God.

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### The Oath of Commissary General.

You do swear, that as Commissary General of the Province of Maryland, in all Articles in his Lordship's Commission to you directed, you will do equal Right to the Poor as well as to the Rich, to the best of your Ability, Skill, and Knowledge, according to the Acts of Assembly of this Province, so far forth as they provide, and where they are silent, according to the Laws of England, as used and practised within this Province. You shall increase no Fees but be content with the Fees limited by Law. You shall not debar or hinder the Prosecution of Justice, nor take any Gift, Bribe, or Fee, for the delaying of Judgment; but shall behave yourself justly and truly to the best of your Understanding, so long as you shall continue in the said Office, or until you shall be by lawful Authority discharged therefrom. So help you God.

### The Oath of Judge of the Admiralty.

You A. B. do swear, that as Judge of the Admiralty of the Province of Maryland, in all Articles in his Lordship's Commission to you directed, you will do equal Right to the Poor as well as to the Rich to the best of your Skill, Knowledge, and Understanding: You shall increase no Fees, but be content with the Fees limited by Law. You shall not debar or hinder the Prosecution of Justice, nor take any Gift, Bribe, Reward, or Fee, for the delaying thereof; but will behave yourself justly and truly, and hear, judge, and decree all Matters that shall regularly come before you for Determination, according to Law and Justice, and according to the Duty of your said Office, during your Continuance therein, or until you shall be by lawful Authority discharged therefrom. So help you God.