

15th. You are, upon Discovery of any Land forfeited to the State for Treason, or lately the Property of any British Subject to give Notice thereof to this Board or the Intendant.—

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16th. In resurveying old Tracts, whereof Part may be found to lie in the Water, you are to be careful in certifying whether it is likely to have been washed away, or to have been an Error in the original Survey.—

17th. You are at all Times to give the strictest Attention to the Directions contained in the respective Warrants issued to you, out of the Land Office, paying a due Regard, however to these Rules.—

18th. You shall endeavor to discover whether any Person or Persons are in the Possession of or occupy Lands in any part of the County of which you are Surveyor, that doth not pay Assessment for the same, or others not having procured Patent from the Land Office, and in Case you make any such Discovery you are to advise this Board and the Commissioners of the Tax of your County.—

19th. You are not after the Receipt of these Instructions to suffer any Person to run out the Lines of, or execute any Warrant for you unless an Assistant properly Qualified, and to prevent all Disputes about the Priority of Entries or Locations of Land, no Assistant shall presume to receive or enter the Location of any Warrant whatsoever, that Power being solely vested in the Surveyor, nor shall you appoint any Assistant 'till he shall be approved of by the Examiner General and when you apply for such Approbation you are to set forth the Reasons that induce you to make such Application, and after your Assistant (being approved of by the Examiner General) shall have entered into Bond with two sufficient Sureties to you, your Heirs and Executors for the true and faithful Execution of his Trust, or Employment and shall have Qualified in the same Manner as you are directed by our first Rule, you are forthwith to return a Certificate of such his Qualifications to the Examiner General, whose Approbation or Permission shall be expressed or recited in the order or Appointment which you make and deliver to your Assistant and you are also to give him a Copy of these Rules.—

20th. In Case you should afterwards dismiss your Assistant you are to give notice thereof to the Examiner General with your Reasons for so doing.—

You must in all Things relating to your Office observe and be governed by the Directions of the Act entitled "An Act to appropriate certain Lands to the use of the Officers and soldiers of this State and for the Sale of vacant Lands"— p. 263

Given in Council at Annapolis this 15th Day of April in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty two and in the sixth Year of our Independence.—