

Thomas Stone James Linsey Thomas Baker Francis Pope William Marshall Walter Beane & Joseph Harrisson gentlemen greeting know ye that wee for the trust and Confidence wee haue in your fidelities Circumspections Prouidences and wisdoms haue Constituted ordained and appoynted and doe by thees preesants Constitute ordaine and appoynt you the sayd Henry Addames Thomas Stone James Linsey Thomas Baker Francis Pope William Marshall Walter Beane and Joseph Harrisson gentlemen Commissioner Joyntly and seuerally to keepe th<sup>e</sup> Peace in Charleses Countie and to doe keepe and Cause to bee kept all Laws and ordinances made for the good & Conseruation of the Peace and for the quiet Rule and Gouverment of the People in all and euerie articles of the same and to Chastise and Punish all Persons offending against the forme of any the laws and orders of this owr Prouince or any of them in Charleses Countie as according to thos Laws and orders shal bee fit to bee done Wee haue also Constited you and euery four and more of you of which the sayd Henry Addames Thomas Stone and James Linsey unles sum one of owr Councell bee presant are always to bee one Commissioners to enquire by the oath of good and Lawfull men of your Countie aforsayd of all mannor of fellons witchcrafts inchantments sorceries Magick Arts trespasses forstallings engrosings and extortions whotsoeuer and all and singular other misdeeds and offences of which Justices of the Peace in England may or ought Lawfullie to enquir by whomsoeuer or whensoeuer done or perpetrated or which hearafter shall happen to bee done or perpetrated in the Countie aforsayd against the laws and orders of this owr Prouince Prouided you proceed not in any the Cases aforsayd to tacke life or member but in eueri such Case you send the Prisoners with their indightment and the whole matter depending befor you to the next Prouinciall Court to bee houlden for this owr Prouince whensoeuer or whearsoeuer to bee houlden ther to bee tryed and further wee doe hearby Authories you to issiue Rits Processes arrests and Attachments to hold plea of hear and determin and after Judgmen Execution to Award in all Causes siuill wheather in actions reall or personall whear the thing in action doath not exceed three thowsand pounds of tob: according to the laws order and reasonable Customes made and used in this owr Prouince which Causes Ciuill so to bee tried wee doe Constitute ordaine and appoynt you th<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Henry Addames Thomas Stone James Linsey to bee iudges as aforsayd unless sum one of owr Councell bee then in Court and thearfor wee Command you that you diligentlie intend the keeping of the peace laws and orders and all and singular the other Premisses at certayn days or places which you or any four or more of you as aforsayd shal in that behalfe appoynt: ye shall make inquire upon the premisses and perform and fullfill the same in forme aforsayd doing thearin that which to Justice apertayneth according to the laws orders and resonable Customes of this

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