

Liber A Concernes the due Administration of Justice, and Right, the Execution of lawes upon delinquents and the lawfull and necessary usse of the Militia Requiringe the people of the sayd Countie to bee subject to all his lawfull Comaunds, And allso wee doe by these p<sup>r</sup>sents Nominate and appoint, m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Weeckes, m<sup>r</sup> Tho: Ringold m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Hinson, m<sup>r</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Russell, m<sup>r</sup> Henery Morgan, m<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Eliot, & m<sup>r</sup> Henery Carline, to bee Comitioners for the sayd County of Kent Assistant to the sayd m<sup>r</sup> Phillip Conier (who is heareby appointed President of the Comition) for th<sup>e</sup> Conseruation of the peace, Administration of Justice, and Right Executinge of Judgment to all p<sup>r</sup>sons indiferently, in all Causes, of which the shall bee allowed Capable to haue Cognizance, and for the p<sup>r</sup>sent as the haue formerly done, untill further order bee published And that any foure of the sayd Comitioners wheareof m<sup>r</sup> Phillip Conier, or m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Weeckes, or m<sup>r</sup> Tho: Ringgold, or m<sup>r</sup> Tho: Hinson, to bee allways one, shall haue power to keepe Courts, at such times and in such places, as to them shall seeme Conuenient and necessary, And that all writts, proces, warrants supenas &c which concerne the County Court, shall bee signed by the sayd m<sup>r</sup> Phillip Conier, but in his absence by m<sup>r</sup> Joseph weeckes and uppon extrordinarie or sudden ocation, which Concernes the saftie of the County, p<sup>r</sup>uentinge or supressing of any dangerous action, the nearest Comissioner shall haue power to giue out a warrant directed to the sheriffe or Constable, and in Casse of Extremitie depute one to serue the same, And lastly the sayd m<sup>r</sup> Phillip Conier, and the sayd Comissioners are Required to Cause the Clark of their Court, to transcribe the Court p<sup>r</sup>ssedings and to deliū them to the Secretarie of the Prouince, eury six Months, at the Generall Prouinciall Court, Giuen at Prouidence under my hand the first day of March 1654:

Copia Vera testis

me Cla<sup>r</sup> Co<sup>m</sup>

Kent Tho: Hill:

Will Fuller

William Durand

[fol. 98] To all the Free subiects of the Comonwealth of England Dwellinge in the Prouince of Maryland our louinge Freinds and neighbo<sup>r</sup>s

Whereas by the Supream Authority of the Co<sup>m</sup>onwealth of England this Prouince is reduced to the obedience of the sayd Comonwealth, by a Speciall power Co<sup>m</sup>mitted to the Honourable Ritchard Bennett Esqui<sup>r</sup> Goueno<sup>r</sup> of virginia, and Colonell W<sup>m</sup> Claiborne, and Capt<sup>~</sup> Edmund Curtis Co<sup>m</sup>aunder of the Ginny Frigate a man of warre sett forth by the Co<sup>m</sup>onwealth for that purpose as is aparantly knowne, to all the people of this Prouince and an engagement tacken by the sayd people to bee obedient thearunto Which power of the sayd Comissioners and reducement of this Prouince thearunto hath been Confirmed by the aforesayd Supream Authoritie under their hand and Sealles to the sayd