

Williā Stevens & William Thorne or either of you to be Judge as
aforesaid unlesse some one of o^r Councill be then in Court; And Liber B No. 1
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therefore wee Co^mand you th^t you dilligently intend th^e keeping of
th^e peace Lawes & ord^{rs} & all & singuler other th^e p^rmisses & att
certaine dayes & places which you or any such foure or more of you
as is afores^d shall in th^t behalfe appoynte yee make inquires upon the
p^rmisses & p^rforme & fullfill th^e same in forme afores^d doeing therein
th^t w^{ch} to Justice apperteineth according to th^e Lawes ord^{rs} & rea-
sonable Customes of this o^r province; Saveing to us the th^e aⁿceam^{ts}
& other things thereof to us belonging; And wee Co^mand th^e sherriffe
of yo^r said County for th^e time being by vertue of theis p^rsents th^t
att certaine dayes & places w^{ch} you or any such foure or more of you
as aforesaid, shall make knowne to him to giue his attendance on you
& if need require to cause to come before you or any such foure or
more of you as aforesaid such & as many good & Lawfull men of yo^r
County by whome th^e truth in th^e p^rmisses may be th^e better knowne
& inquired of; And Lastly wee haue appointed Edmund Beauchamp
Clarke & Keeper of th^e records of proceedings in this yo^r County
Court & therefore you shall cause to be brought before you att th^e
said dayes & places th^e writts p^rcepts process & Indictm^{ts} to yo^r Court
& Jurisdiction belonging so th^e same may be inspected & by due Course
determined as aforesaid; Given und^r th^e great seale of this o^r p^rvince
of Maryland th^e two & twenty day of August in th^e fue & thirtieth
yeare of o^r dominion over th^e s^d p^rvince & in th^e yeare of o^r Lord one
thousand six hundred sixty six Wittnes our dear sonne Charles Cal-
vert esq^r o^r Leiutenant generall chiefe Governor & chiefe Justice of
o^r said province of Maryland

The Commissioners oath

You shall swear th^t as a Commissioner in th^e County of Sommer-
sett in all articles in his Lordp^s Commission to you directed you shall
doe equall right to th^e poor as to th^e ritch to th^e best of yo^r Cunning
witt & power & after th^e p^rcidents & Customes of this p^rvince & acts
of assembly thereof made & th^t you hold yo^r session or Courts as you
are directed in yo^r Co^mission or according to th^e act of assembly
p^rvideing in th^t behalfe & all fine & amercem^{ts} th^t shall happen to be
made & all forfeitures w^{ch} shall fall before you yee shall cause to be
entred without any Concealem^t & Certifie th^e same to his Lordp^s
receiuer of this p^rvince You shall not debarr nor hinder th^e p^rsecu^con
of Justice or take any guift bribe or Fee to th^t Intent or delaying of
Judgem^t but shall behaue yo^r selfe Justly & truly to th^e best of yo^r
understanding & power soe long as you shall p^rsist in this office &
untill you shall be by lawfull authority discharged therefrom so help
you God

entred th^e 27th August 1666

The Indorssm^t on th^e Backside of the Commission by th^e Right [p. 27]
Hon^{ble} Charles Calvert Esq^r Leiu^t: generall