

JOURNAL AND CORRESPONDENCE OF THE STATE COUNCIL

1784

[p 1] The General Assembly of Maryland on Wednesday the 24th. Day of November 1784 went into the Choice of a Governor and unanimously rechose William Paca Esquire. His Excellency qualified the same Day in the Senate House in Presence of the Members of the General Assembly by taking the several Oaths required by the Constitution and Form of Government, and the Laws of this State, and by making and subscribing a Declaration of his Belief in the Christian Religion.

On Thursday following being the 25th. Day of the same Month the General Assembly elected Charles Wallace, Aquila Paca, John Davidson, John Hoskins Stone and Samuel Turbutt Wright Esquires to be the Council to the Governor.

Saturday 27th. November 1784

Charles Wallace, Aquila Paca and John Davidson Esquires, elected Members of the Council to the Governor attended, and severally qualified before William Hyde Esquire one of the Justices of Anne Arundel County, by making, repeating and subscribing a Declaration of their Belief in the Christian Religion, and taking, repeating, and subscribing the several Oaths required by the Constitution and Form of Government and the Laws of this State, a Certificate thereof filed.

Mr. Thomas Johnson Junior appointed Clerk of the Council, and a Certificate of his Qualification produced and filed.

Mr. Jubb Fowler appointed Messenger.

Commission issued to William Somervill appointed one of the Coroners for St. Mary's County.

A Petition from Hugh Grant of Baltimore County, was laid before the Board setting forth, that he is a Prisoner at Large under Bail in consequence of a Fine for selling or retailing Spiritous Liquors without License, and that he is an infirm person near eighty Years of Age, and a large Family of Children from whom their distressed Parents can receive no support, and that he was actuated by no other motive than supporting his poor Family, and to prevent them from becoming burthensome to the County in which he resides, and four of the Justices of the said County having recommended a remission of said fine. The Board taking the same into Consideration are of Opinion that the said fine be remitted, and do order a Remission accordingly.

Wm. Paca
Cha. Wallace
Aql. Paca
John Davidson