

[p 96] The Council proceeded to the Appointment of Magistrates, and on Motion Resolved That if it appeared to the Board that there were more Magistrates in any County than necessary, they would reduce the Number, and in such Manner as to have not more than One in each Hundred, unless very large, and in such Case not more than two; and three or more in Town or near the Court House, and where there were two in a Hundred of equal Integrity, Ability and Attachment to the Government, and equally convenient the Senior Magistrate to be preferred.

Commissions issued to Joseph Gilpin, John Leach Knight, Stephen Hyland, John Dockery Thompson, Samuel Glenn, Samuel Miller, Elihu Hall of Elisha, Sidney George, James Louttit, Nathan Norton, Jeremiah Baker, Thomas Russell, Nathaniel Ramsey, Michael Wallace, and Richard Bond appointed Justices of Cæcil County.

Joseph Gilpin, John Dockery Thompson, Jeremiah Baker, Thomas Russell and Nathaniel Ramsey appointed Justices of the Orphans Court of Cæcil County.

The Council adjourned 'till tomorrow morning 10 o'clock.

Thursday 16th. February 1786

The Council met.

Present as on Yesterday.

The Council adjourned till tomorrow morning 10 o'clock.

Friday 17th. February 1786

The Council met.

Present His Excellency William Smallwood Esquire.

The Honorable Jeremiah Townley Chase

James Brice

Gabriel Duvall

John Kilty Esquires.

The Council adjourned 'till tomorrow morning 10 o'clock.

[p 97] Saturday 18th. February 1786

The Council met.

Present as on Yesterday.

Commissions issued to Matthew Driver, Thomas Hardcastle, Henry Dickenson, Philemon Downes, Zabdiel Potter, Thomas Hughlett, Henry Downes, Joseph Richardson, and Peter Edmondson junior appointed Justices of Caroline County.

Matthew Driver, Thomas Hardcastle, Philemon Downes, Zabdiel Potter and Peter Edmondson junior appointed Justices of the Orphans Court of Caroline County.

The Council adjourned till Monday morning 10 o'clock.