

**PRINCIPAL OFFICERS OF THE PROVINCE AND  
STATE OF MARYLAND FROM THE CREATION  
OF THE OFFICE TO THE PRESENT DAY**

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**GOVERNORS OF MARYLAND**

**BARONS OF BALTIMORE AND LORDS PROPRIETARY  
OF MARYLAND**

- 1580(?)—1632—George Calvert, First Lord Baltimore.  
Petitioned for grant of land north of the Potomac.
- 1606—1675—Cecilius Calvert, Second Lord Baltimore.  
Received grant June 20, 1632, soon after death of  
First Lord Baltimore.
- 1637—1715—Charles Calvert, Third Lord Baltimore.
- 1679(?)—1715—Benedict Leonard Calvert, Fourth Lord Baltimore.
- 1699—1751—Charles Calvert, Fifth Lord Baltimore.
- 1732—1771—Frederick Calvert, Sixth Lord Baltimore.
- 1760—1834—Henry Harford.  
Harford did not succeed to the title, as he was an  
illegitimate son. His claim to Maryland was relin-  
quished in return for a monetary grant from the  
Maryland General Assembly.

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**GOVERNORS BEFORE 1776**

- 1631—1634      Captain William Claiborne  
Settled at Kent Island under a commission from  
the King. He was driven from the Island by  
Leonard Calvert a few months after the colonists  
had landed.
- 1634—1644/5      Leonard Calvert  
Calvert had occasion to leave the colony several  
times, usually for a month or two but once for  
over a year. During his absences the following  
men governed the Province: 1637/8 and 1638, John  
Lewger; 1638 and 1641, Captain Thomas Corn-  
waleys; 1643—1644, Giles Brent; 1644, William  
Brainthwait.
- 1644/5—1646      Captain Richard Ingle  
Usurped the government and maintained control  
until about the middle of 1646.
- 1646              Captain Edward Hill  
Elected Governor by the Council while Leonard  
Calvert was still in Virginia. He also claimed to  
have a commission from Calvert. His appoint-  
ment was illegal, as he was not a member of the  
Council when elected, and Calvert was out of the  
Province when the commission was issued. He  
does seem to have held office, however, for he later  
attempted to collect certain fees and emoluments  
which were due him by virtue of his service.
- 1646—1647      Leonard Calvert
- 1647—1648/9      Thomas Greene