

Maryland 27<sup>th</sup> May 1755

On the Back of the foregoing Commission was thus Indented Viz.

Then came before me the Subscriber one of his Lordships Justices of the Provincial Court. He with in Named George Stewart and Qualified him - self a Deputy Secretary of the said Province by taking the several Oaths Prescribed by Law and Subscribing the Abjuration and Test as also taking the Oath of Deputy Secretary -

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Where said Oath is in these following Words viz

Maryland 27<sup>th</sup> May 1755 I hereby Certifie that on the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of May Seventeen hundred and fifty five. Came before me the Subscriber one of his Lordships Justices of the Provincial Court George Stewart of the City of Annapolis Esquire and took the several Oaths appointed by Act of Assembly of this Province to be taken to the Government, made repeated and Subscribed the Oath of Abjuration and Test and also took the Oath of Deputy Secretary of this Province in the words following to wit:  
" You George Stewart do swear that you will be true and faithful to the Right Honorable Frederick Lord Baron of Baltimore the true & Absolute Lord and Proprietary of this Province. and him and their and his and their Rights Royal Jurisdictions Siquisries and all and every of them into and Over the said Province and Islands Therunto belonging will at all times defend and Maintain to the utmost of your Power; and will never accept of nor execute any Place Office or Employment within this Province in any way concerning or relating to the Government of the said Province from any Person or Authority but by from or under a lawful Authority derived or to be derived from time to time from his said Lordship or his Heirs - Lords and Proprietarys of the said Province under his and their hands and Sealed Arms; You will serve him faithfully as Deputy Secretary in the said Province; To none will you willingly or willingly delay or deny Right in what belongeth to your office or offices to do, True Records you will keep of Judgments and all other matters to be by you Recorded - without Falsification or Corruption for fear favour or Malice of any Person whatsoever to the best of your ability and Understanding"

So help you God

J. Heppburn

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