

Trade and in pursuance off the authority and direction to us given by the  
 Right honorab<sup>le</sup> Lord high Treas<sup>ur</sup> off England haue Deputed & Impowred  
 and doo hereby Depute & Impower Nehemiah Blackington to be Collect<sup>or</sup> off all  
 the Rates Duties & Impositi<sup>ons</sup>, arising and growing due to his Maj<sup>ty</sup> in the  
 Rivers off Wicocomoco and Potomacke and the Creekes and rivulets thereunto  
 Belonging Within his province off Maryland by vertue off the said act wherby  
 hee hath power to Enter into any Shipp bottom boate or other Vessel as also  
 into any Shop house warehouse hostery or other place whatsoever to Make  
 Diligent Search into any Trunke packe Case Chest Truss or any other parcell  
 or package whatsoever for any good wares or merchandizes prohibited to be  
 Ex ported or Imported or whereoff the Customes or other Duties haue not  
 Beene Duely paid and the same to Seize to his Maj<sup>ty</sup> use and also to putt in  
 Execution all other the Lawfull powers and authorities for the better Managing  
 & Collecting the said Duties in all things proceeding as the Law directs here by  
 praying & requiering all and Euerij his Maj<sup>ty</sup> officers and Ministers and all  
 others whom itt may Concern to be aiding and assisting to him in all things  
 as becometh Given under our hands & seale at the Custome house London this six  
 and Twentieth day off September anno Domini, 1635. and in first yeare off the  
 Reigne off our Soueraign Lord King James the second &c.

Ch. Chayne: D North Jo: Werden: W<sup>m</sup> Butler: Bunker worth: ~~W<sup>m</sup> Dickinson~~  
 W<sup>m</sup> Dickinson: T Rudleigh,

On the back side off the afor Comission was Endorsed as folo<sup>w</sup>s

All a Councill Novemb<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1636

Came in Nehemiah Blackington and produced the within Comission and  
 here made oath upon the holy Evangelists thatt since the said Comission  
 hath come to his hands hath to the best off his Skill Well & Truly Executed  
 the same and Likewise thatt for the future he will to the best off his knowledge  
 Well & Truly Execute the said Comission according to the true intent  
 thereof  
 Jam: health, J<sup>th</sup> Councill

Maryland

To all People to whom these presents shall come &c. The Commissioners  
 for managing and causing to be Levied and Collected his Maj<sup>ty</sup> Customes  
 Subsidies and other duties in this his Kingdom off England send greeting  
 Know yee thatt we the said Comm<sup>rs</sup> by vertue off an act off parliament  
 made in the 25<sup>th</sup> yeare off his late Maj<sup>ty</sup> Reigne intituled an act for  
 the Encouragem<sup>nt</sup> off the Eastland and Greenland Trades and for the better  
 securing the plantation Trade and In pursuance off the authority and  
 Direction to us given by the Right honorab<sup>le</sup> the Lord high Treas<sup>ur</sup> off England  
 haue Deputed and Impowred and doo hereby Depute and Impower George  
 Layfield to be Controller and Survey<sup>or</sup> off all the rates duties & Impositi<sup>ons</sup>  
 arising and growing due to his Maj<sup>ty</sup> in his province off Maryland by vertue  
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 or other Vessel and also into any Shop house Warehouse hostery or other

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