552 On the 28th Day of June seventeen hundred and seventy three Came the within Named Ann Ogle before me one of the Justices of the Provincial Court and Acknowledged the within Instrument of Writing to be her Act and Deed & the Premisses therein mentioned to be the Right & Estate of the said Benjamin Ogle agreeable to the true Intent and meaning of the same Deed & the form of the Act of Assembly in such Case made and Provided,—

4s Recorded 23d July 1773.— Danl of St Thos Jenifer

Maryland ss. The Right Honourable Henry Harford Esqr. Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Province of Maryland To the Honourable William Fitzhugh of Cal=vert County Esquire Greeting

Robt Eden.

Whereas for the due Administration of Justice it is most expedient that there be a Succession from the Dead to the living and that the Wills of all Persons devising or bequeathing any Real or personal Estate may be duly Proved and Letters of Administration of the Estates of all Persons dying Intestate be granted to such who have Right therefore to the end there may be no failure of Justice therein but that it may be duly Administred within this Province to all persons concerned Know Ye that we very much Relying and Confiding in the Knowledge Care Integrity and Ability of you the said William Fitz=hugh have and by these Presents Do Ordain constitute and appoint you the said William Fitz=hugh to be our Commissary-General and Judge for Probate of Wills and granting Admi=nistrations within this our Province and in all the incidents and emergencies thereunto belonging or thereupon arising as well in taking the Probate of all such Wills and granting Letters of Ad=ministration as also in receiving examining and passing all Inventories and Accounts whatsoever before you to be exhibited and at the Suit or Instance of any person or persons having or preten=ding to have any Interest in any Deceased's Estate within this Province to proceed adjudge Sentence and Decree the same and every of them and Administer Right and Justice to all Per=sons therein concerned according to the known Laws and Customs of this our Province and where they are Silent according to the Laws Usages and Customs of England and further We do grant unto You the said William Fitzhugh to exercise all Powers Rights Jurisdictions and Privileges lawfully belonging to a Court for taking the Probate of Wills and granting Administrations aforesaid saving to all and every such person or persons that shall conceive themselves aggrieved by any definitive Sentence of you given or to be given their lawfull Rights of Appealing to us or our Go=vernor or Commander in Chief of this Province for the time being or to such other Person or Persons as We or they shall appoint to hear and determine the same. To have hold execute and enjoy the said Office of Judge and Commissary General and Commissioner in Chief for Probate of Wills and —

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