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And Received by the Sherriffe either for findes Leavyes or his Lordshippes
Rent or hath been payd away to Marchants or others and by them marked
and Received whereby both the Publick hath been much abused and wronged
and many private persons have Received great damages in their said
goods And it therefore Enacted by the Right Hon^{ble} the Lord Proprietary
by and with the Consent of the upper and lower houses of this present Generall
Assembly that what person soever shall dispose of any Tobacco or other good
to be sold on or Received by Sherriffes for findes Leavyes or his Lordshippes Rent
or other Publick officers fees or that shall alter or Scratch out the marks of
any Tobacco so Received or that shall alter or Change the quality of Tobacco
so Received or by any Marchant or other Received either by uncasting or
otherwise without Lawfull order or Warrant in writing under hand of
such Sherriffe who ^{has} Received the same or of such Marchant or other
person who ^{has} Received and marked the same or for whose use the same
was Received and marked shall be liable being convicted by Confession or
Sufficient witness in some Court of this Province to Restor^e four foule
to the party grieved and to stand in the Billory two full hours during the
Court time with his offences fairly written in a peece of paper and plac'd
upon his back Provided no person shall be implac'd or prosecuted
upon this Act after twelve monthes from the time that the fact shall be
Comitted Provided alsoe that this Act shall continue for three yeeres or to
the end of the next Generall Assembly and no longer

In the Right Hon^{ble} the Lord Proprietary of
Maryland and Avalen Lord Baron of Baltimores

The humble Petition of Joshua Guilbert

Humbly sheweth

That your Petitioner Joshua Guilbert borne in the City of Rhodmes in
high Brittain in the Kingdom of France and being new Remov'd into
this Province and having for divers yeeres therein Inhabitted being
invited to come & dwell within this Province by and vpon Confidence of
your Lordshippes fathers Declaration of the second of July one thousand six
hundred forty Nyns whereby your Lordshippes said father did Impower his
Governour from time to time to grant lands to any persons of french Dutch
Spanish or any other forraigne descent in the same in as ample manner and
vpon the same termes and Provisos as he was thereby Impowred to grant
Land to any person or persons of Brittainish or Irish descent And during his said

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