

John Ross of the City of Annapolis in the Province of Maryland  
Esquire Clerk of the Council and of the Upper House of Assembly in the said  
Province maketh Oath That He has Carefully Examined the aforesaid Copy  
(Marked No. 10) of the Late Majesty King William the First to the Acts of  
Assembly of 1696 & 1699 with the Entry thereof in the Council Books of the said  
Province and that the same is a true Copy of such Entry in the said Council Books  
and the said Deponent further saith That He hath also Carefully Examined  
the aforesaid Copy (Marked Number 11) of the Proceedings in the Upper House  
of Assembly in the said Province with the Journall of the said Upper House  
and That the same is a true Copy of such Journall as far as it goes and  
the said Deponent further saith That He has now in his Possession as Clerk  
of the said Upper House of Assembly a true Copy and Examined with the  
Original Paper Bill sent from the Lower House of Assembly to the Upper  
House of Assembly in the Convention or Meeting of the Assembly in East-Neck  
intituled an Act for Raising an Annual Revenue for the better Support of  
~~the said Government~~ and Governour within this Province, and That He  
this Deponent hath Carefully Examined the aforesaid Copy of the said  
Bill (Marked Number 12) with such Copy so Examined with the Original  
Paper Bill by this Deponent as aforesaid and that the same aforesaid  
Copy marked No. 12 is a true Copy thereof — and This Deponent further  
saith That by Perusal of the severall Council Books of the said Province —  
He finds That <sup>Esq.</sup> Lyonel Copley came to the Government of the said Province the  
6<sup>th</sup> of Aprill 1692 That Sr. Edmond Andros Succeeded the said Copley as  
Governour on the 25<sup>th</sup> of September 1693 That Nicholas Greenbury Esq.  
Succeeded as President to the said Sr. Edmond Andros 14<sup>th</sup> October 1693 —  
That the said Sr. Edmond Andros again Succeeded the said Greenbury 1<sup>st</sup> May  
1694 That Sr. Thomas Lawrence Succeeded President to the said Sr. Edmond  
Andros 12<sup>th</sup> May 1694 That Col. Francis Nicholson Succeeded as Governour to  
the said Sr. Thomas Lawrence 26<sup>th</sup> of July 1694 That Col. Nathaniel Blackstone  
Succeeded as Governour to the said Col. Nicholson 2<sup>nd</sup> January 1698 That Thomas  
Fench Esq. Succeeded as President to the said Col. Blackstone 30<sup>th</sup> July 1702 and  
That Col. John Seymour Succeeded as Governour to the said Thomas Fench  
Esq. 12<sup>th</sup> April 1704.

Sworn this 24<sup>th</sup> Day of August 1739

Before

Jam. Ogle