

Successors, Do Give and Grant by these presents, Power, Licence and Liberty unto all the Liege People and Subjects both present and future, of Us, Our Heirs and Successors, (excepting those who shall be specially forbidden) to Transport themselves and Families unto the said Province, with convenient Shipping, and fitting Provisions, and there to settle themselves, dwell and inhabit, and to build and fortify Castle, Forts, and other Places of Strength, for the Publick, and their own private Defence, at the appointment of the said now Lord Baltimore and his Heirs; the *Statute of Fugitives*, or any other whatsoever, the contrary of the Premises, in any wise notwithstanding.

AND We Will also, and of Our more special Grace, for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, We do strictly Enjoyn, Constitute, Ordain and Command, That the said Province shall be of Our *Allegiance*, and that all and singular the Subjects and *Liege* People of Us, Our Heirs and Successors, Transported or to be Transported into the said Province, and the Children of them, and of such as shall descend from them, there already born, or hereafter to be born, be, and shall be *Denizens* and *Lieges* of Us, Our Heirs and Successors, of Our Kingdoms of *England* and *Ireland*, and be in all things held, treated, reputed and esteemed as the Liege faithful People of Us, Our Heirs and Successors, born within Our Kingdom of *England*, and likewise, any Lands, Tenements, Revenues, Services, and other Hereditaments whatsoever, within Our Kingdom of *England*, and other Our Dominions, may inherit, or otherwise purchase, receive, take, have, hold, buy and possess, and them may occupy and enjoy, give, sell, alien and bequeath, as likewise all Liberties, Franchises and Priviledges, of this Our Kingdom of *England*, freely, quietly and peaceably, have and possess occupy and enjoy; as Our Liege People, born, or to be born, within Our said Kingdom of *England*, without the Let, Molestation, Vexation, Trouble or Grievance, of Us, Our Heirs and Successors; any Statute, Act, Ordinance or Provision to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

And Furthermore, That Our Subjects may be the rather encouraged to undertake this Expedition, with ready and chearful Minds, Know Ye, That We, of Our special Grace, certain Knowledge and meer Motion, Do Give and Grant, by Virtue of these Presents, as well unto the said now Lord Baltimore and his Heirs, as to all other that shall, from Time to Time repair unto that Province, with a purpose to inhabit there, or to Trade with the Natives of the said Province, full Licence to lade and freight in any Ports whatsoever, of Us, Our Heirs and Successors, and into the said Province of *Maryland*, by them, their Servants or Assigns to transport all and singular, their Goods, Wares and Merchandize; as likewise, all sorts of Grain whatsoever, and any other Things whatsoever, necessary for Food or Cloathing (not prohibited by the Laws and Statutes of our Kingdoms and Dominions to be carried out of the said Kingdoms) without any let or molestation of Us, Our Heirs or Successors, or of any of the Officers of Us, Our Heirs or Successors, (saving always to Us, Our Heirs and Successors, the Impositions, Customs, and other Duties and Payments for the said Wares and Merchandize) any Statute, Act, Ordinance or other thing whatsoever to the contrary notwithstanding.

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 Maria Shigh, as widow of Richard Bennett, with one
 son, the noted merchant & landowner in New York