

in Council (without the least previous Intimation to your 23  
Petitioners) in the names of the said Thomas Penn and Richard  
Penn the Proprietors of Pennsylvania setting forth their  
said Grant with the Boundaries thereof and suggesting  
that Part of the Eastern Boundaries of the said Province  
(that is to say) the Meridian Line to be Drawn from the  
Head of Delaware River and also the whole northern  
and Western Boundaries and Part of the Southern Boundary  
adjoin to and border upon his Majesty's Provinces of New-  
York and Virginia or other Lands remaining in his Majesty  
and that they conceive it to be greatly for his Majesty's  
Interest and tending to the further settlement of the said  
several Provinces and to the Quiet of the Planters and  
Settlers in the same as well as to the ~~Good~~ Increase of the  
Trade of the Kingdom that the Limits of Pennsylvania should  
be set out and ascertained in a visible and certain manner  
so as to prevent controversys, and praying his Majesty to  
appoint disinterested Persons in those Parts with Power to  
join with such Persons as should be named by the said Peti-  
tioners in making out and ascertaining the said Meridian  
Line and also the Northern western and Southern Limits  
of Pennsylvania (so far as the same border on his Majesty's  
Province) which Petition is by Reference now depending before  
the Lords Commissioners of Trade and Plantations.

That your Petitioners acting as Guardians for a minor  
Incapable of defending his own just Rights cannot but enter-  
tain the greatest apprehension from a Petition couched  
in such ambiguous Terms and at the same Time praying so ex-  
tensive an Order for the marking out and ascertaining the  
whole Northern, Western and Part of the Southern and Eastern  
Boundaries of the said Province of Pennsylvania without appri-  
zing the Proprietor of Maryland or his Guardians thereof ~~the~~  
immediately