

The State of Maryland to wit: whereas William Courts of Charles County has been presented for assaulting a certain Samuel Winset - and whereas it has been represented to me that no injury was sustained by the said Winset that the said Courts is deprived of the means of defending himself against the said Prosecution in consequence of the removal out of the State of a certain Patrick Riley who is the only witness to prove the rude and unprovoked insult offered by the Winset to said Courts wife while absent from his Family and whereas the Honourable Edmund Key Associate Justices of the First Judicial District of Maryland and other respectable inhabitants of Charles County have recommended the said Courts to me as a fit object for the interposition of Government I have therefore thought proper to order and direct that all Proceedings at Law against Courts do cease and determine and that no further prosecution be had or carried on against him for or on account of the same Given under my hand and the Seal of the State of Maryland this nineteenth day of September Eighteen Hundred and Eleven

By the Governor
Marian Pinkney
Clerk of the Council

Edward Lloyd

To the Prosecutor of Charles County

By his Excellency Edward Lloyd Esquire Governor of Maryland

A Proclamation

Whereas it is directed by the forty ninth section of the act entitled "An act concerning crimes and Punishments" passed at November session eighteen Hundred and nine that as soon as the Penitentiary house in Baltimore County is ready for the reception of Criminals that the Governor of the State shall notify the same by Proclamation And whereas the inspectors of said institution have reported to me that the said building is completed and the requisites of the said Law have been in all other respects complied with. I have therefore thought proper to issue this my proclamation hereby declaring the said Penitentiary House to be ready for the reception of Criminals who may be condemned to work and labour therein as the said Law requires - Given under my hand and the Seal of the State of Maryland, this Thirtieth day of September, in the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight Hundred and Eleven and of the Independance of the United States of America the thirty fifth

By the Governor
Marian Pinkney

Edward Lloyd