

day or any other day that he shall be required by the said Court  
he cause to come before the Court as well the said Prisoner and his  
attachment as all other Prisoners and their attachments. In  
Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused  
the Great Seal of the State of Maryland to be affixed this  
Twenty fifth day of May eighteen Hundred and Twelve  
Witness the Honourable William Hilly Chancellor

Robert Bowie

William Hilly

May 25<sup>th</sup> 1812

Edward Lloyd and George E Mitchell Esquires are appointed Clerks  
to the Commander in chief of the Militia of this State

The State of Maryland to wit whereas John Barnes was presented at  
April Term last at Cecil County Court for cutting or feloniously  
taking hoop poles from off the lands of the heirs of Thomas Rupell  
some time in March last and whereas it appears from the deposition  
of Thomas Whitesides that he sold to John Barnes a quantity of growing  
Poles and directed him to go and cut the same on a tract of land which  
the said Whitesides then owned called Donahoes purchase which tract  
lies adjoining to the lands of the Heirs of Thomas Rupell that the said  
Barnes had frequently cut poles on the said Tract before, and that he  
ignorantly and innocently crossed the divisional line between the lands  
of the Heirs of Thomas Rupell and donahoes purchase and cut a few  
Poles on the lands of the said Rupells heirs and whereas a number of  
respectable persons inhabitants of Cecil County have stated to me that  
the said John Barnes had always supported a good character and that they believe  
him to innocent of any intention of stealing the Poles. I have therefore thought  
proper to order and direct that all proceedings at law against John Barnes for the  
aforesaid do cease and determine and that no further prosecution be had or carried on  
him for or on account of the same. Given under my hand and the seal of the State of  
Maryland this fifteenth day of June in the year of our Lord one Thousand eight Hundred  
and Twelve

By the Governor  
William Pinkney

Robert Bowie