Substitutes of the Right Hon^ble Cecilius Lord Baron of Baltimore Lord and Proprietary of this Province & Capt Gen^ll & Gov^r of the same Province lying in Delaware Bay &c. unto us entrusted and by your Commissions injuriously stiled in prejudice to his said Lordships Just Right and Title

To answer Wherefore unto your Demand by your said Commission from the Right Hon^ble the Lord Proprietary Ordered to make his repair to a certain Seate scated upon Delaware Bay within the 40.th degree of Northerly Latitude from the Equinoctial Wee (to our knowledge) know that they were residing within our Jurisdiction without our Licence or Oath of Fidelity to his Lordship (which both which are expressly conditioned and injoyned by his Conditions of Plantation and Lawes to all Comers here to Inhabit in case they intended here to Stay, as wee our Selves injoy, But in Case of Refusall (and Abode hereunder) to let them know wee should use all lawfull meanes to reduce them to that Obedience, which all People within his Right Hon^ble the Lord Baltemore Sole and Absolute Lord and Proprietarie of the Same by Patt under the great Seale of England bearing date 26.th June in the yeare of our Lord God 1632 And Since by Act of Parliam^t Confirmed

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Wee have Reason to Suspect that you have Come into this Province of Delaware Bay Scated Colony in Delaware Bay (Scated Thereby and under your Command) Wee do therefore Require you forthwith to Depart out of the Same, and all Others your Followers Fellow Complices and Abetters in this Said Intrusion upon our Bounds and Confines Under the Penalty of Forfeiture of your Ships Goods and Cargoes and Costs in due Course of Law and by all Lawfull meanes to recover which wee doe hereby Claime by the Recovery of that Place So Scated within our Bounds and Limitts and injuriously by you Usurped

(2) The Originall right of the Kings of England to their Forreign Territories must be our Endeavour to maintain for our Discourse to controule or in the least our Attempt to yield up, as being that which wee cannot Succeed from any other power, nor yield up to any other Authority, without the Consent of our Supreme Magistracy under Soveraign in the Dominions of England, Nor cannot Suffer to Shew that your pretended Title to that part of this Province where those people (now in Actuall Possession) the first time Seated by the Dutch and Swedes (who are in Delaware Bay Seated by their Order and Authority) Doth Lye is Manifest, and your patent (if you have any from the States Generall of the united Provinces doth not Extend to those Countryes and Places) is Invalid and of no Effect, But Invalid or by you, We Say they are such as they cannot Subsist

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