

Expedition until I have further considered thereon Given  
this 8<sup>th</sup> April 1643

By the Lieutenant General

Whereas I am determin'd to go for England I do hereby  
publish and declare to all inhabitants of this Province that  
I have nominated appointed and elected Mr Giles Brent Esq<sup>r</sup>  
to be Lieutenant General Admiral Chief Captain Magistrate &  
Commander as well by Sea as Land of this Province of Mary  
land and of the Islands to the same belonging in as large  
and ample manner as his Lordship by his Commission under  
the Great Seal bearing date at Saint Marys the 4 day of  
September 1642 hath authorized me for the present during  
my intended absence until further Order from his Lordship  
therein Given at Saint Marys this 11<sup>th</sup> April 1643

Cecilius by our Sovereign Lord King Charles Lord pro  
prietary &c to all persons to whom these presents shall come  
Greeting Know ye that we for divers good causes us therunto  
specially moving have exempted and by these presents do  
exempt the persons of Nathaniel Pope and his menial  
Servants being nine in number from all Mithes and Wardings  
and from all attendance at musters and trainings and from  
being called or commanded out of or from his house to or upon  
any Levy march or party without or against his Will or Consent  
and we do hereby will and require all our Captains Comman  
ders and Officers whatsoever not to infringe or violate any the  
Exemptions aforesaid at their full Given at Saint Marys  
this 11<sup>th</sup> April 1643 Witness our dear Brother  
April 15<sup>th</sup> 1643

The Secretary administered the Oath of Lieutenant  
General to Giles Brent Esq<sup>r</sup> in these words [ You swear that  
you will be true and faithful to the Right honorable Cecilius