

# Commission of Captain of Saint Marys County

Cecilius of William Burchwayte Genl Commit  
unto you the Captain ship and Command of Saint Ma  
rys County in all military matters to have use and exercise  
the same by Land or water to the levying and training  
of Soldiers suppressing and punishing of insolencies and  
Mutinies against martial discipline the resistance and Vanquish  
ing of Enemies and in all other Occasions of war in a ample  
manner as a Lieutenant may and ought to do by the Law of  
War and we do Require all Inhabitants to obey and respect  
&c Given 19 March 1643

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Wheras not long since when I did conceive that  
my Brother Bernard Culver would have dispatched  
this Officer here so as he might have Returned into Marys  
again this Year I did for Divers Reasons by a dispatch which  
I then sent unto you restrain your power of assenting  
unto any Law in my name and of Granting any Land  
from me in that Province I have now upon Confidence  
of your Integrity and fidelity to me thought fit and I  
do hereby Give you full power and Authority to assent  
from time to time in my name to any Law which at any  
General Assembly of the Freemen of that Province shall  
be thought fit by you to be enacted there in a ample manner  
as my said Brother had power from me to do the same  
while he was my Lieutenant General there and no other  
wise that is to say and my true meaning is hereby to Give  
you power to make every such Law to be assented to  
by you in my name to be in force within the said Pro  
vince till for my heirs shall signify our or their dissent