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with those who shall from time to time by immediate Commission or Warrant from us under our hand and Seal at Arms be of our Council thereof for the time being upon all Occasions concerning the Good Government of our said Province of Maryland and of the people there and we do further hereby Grant full power and Authority unto our said Lieutenant and unto our said Council for the time being who shall from time to time be then present in Court or the Major part of them whereof he our said Lieutenant or his deputy being also of our Council to be always one and to have a Casting Vote to enquire hear & finally to Judge of and upon all Causes Criminal and Civil whatsoever of what nature kind quality degree and Condition soever the same shall be which may happen within our said Province of Maryland according to the Laws from time to time in force of and in the said Province and in default thereof according to his and their best discretion as fully and absolutely as we our self might do if we were personally present to give sentence or Judgment of or in or upon the same and to cause execution upon every such Sentence or Judgment all & every which powers and Authorities above mentioned we do hereby grant unto our said Lieutenant William Stone and our said Council till we our heirs shall signify our or their pleasure to the contrary and no longer and lastly whereas our said Lieutenant may happen to die or upon some urgent Occasion to be absent from time to time out of our said Province of Maryland before we can have notice to depute another in his place we do therefore Grant unto him our said Lieutenant full power and Authority from time to time in such Cases to Nominate elect and appoint