

unto the Right honorable Cecilius Lord Baron of Baltimore
the true and Absolute Lord and Proprietary of this Province
of Maryland and his heirs and him and them and his
and their rights Royal Jurisdictions & Seignory all & every
of them in to and over the said Province and Islands there
unto belonging will at all times defend and maintain to
the utmost of my power and will never accept of nor execute
any place Office or Employment within the said Province
any way Concerning or Relating to the Government of the
said Province from any person or Authority but by from or
under a Lawful Authority derived or to be derived from time
to time from his said Lordship or his heirs Lords and Propriet-
aries of the said Province under his or their hand and seal
at Arms the peace and Welfare of the people of this Prov^{ce}
I will ever procure as far as I can I will aid and assist
the administering and execution of Justice in all things
to my power to none will I delay outeny Right for fear
favour or affection I will to my best Skill and according to
my heart and Conscience give good and faithful Council
to the said Lord and Proprietary and his heirs and to his
and their Lieutenant or Chief Governor of this Province
for the time being when thereunto I shall be called I will
keep secret all matters committed or revealed unto me or
which shall be moved or debated secretly in Council and
faithfully declare my mind and opinion therein accor-
ding to my heart and Conscience and if any of the said
Treaties or Councils shall touch any of the Privy Council-
lors of this Province I will not reveal the same unto him
so touched or concerned but will keep the same secret
until such time as by Consent of the Lord Proprietary
or his Lieutenant or chief Governor here for the time being