

The more ready and able to defend as well themselves as us &
 our rights there and offend their and our Enemies and not ha-
 ving had Good experience of your Knowledge and Great Abi-
 lities in Marshall Affairs and of your Great Fidelity unto
 us in that Occasion of the late insurrection and Rebellion
 in our said Province which was begun there by that No-
 rious Villain Richard Ingle and his Complices against
 our dear Brother Leonard Calvert Esq^r dead our late Lieutenant
 of the same and therein against us and our undoubted
 Rights and title there therein and in divers ^{other} worthy Actions
 you have manifested unto us and our Colony there such sin-
 gular Fidelity Courage Wisdom industry and integrity as
 render you worthy and Capable of the trust hereby intended
 by us to be Reposed in you wherefore we do by these presents
 Constitute Ordain and Appoint you to be our Muster Mas-
 ter General of that our Province of Maryland to have and
 to hold the said Office of Muster Master General of our said
 Province of Maryland with as ample Fees Tails Rewards
 Profits Commodities immunities and Priviledges as any
 Muster Master General of our said Province hath or Ought
 to have had in regard of his said Office or as any Muster
 Master in Virginia of right now hath or enjoyeth or ought
 of right to have or enjoy by virtue of his said Office till we
 or our heirs shall signify the contrary under our or their hands
 and seal at Arms Given under our hand and Greater Seal at
 Arms at Bath the 12th day of August in the 17th Year of
 our Dominion over the said Province of Maryland Anno
 Qui 1648

Commission for Commander of the
 Isle of Kent

Cecilius Lord Proprietor &c^o to our trusty and well