

it is far from me to slight the power God hath placed over  
me but am willing to submit to it and that really as for  
my self I am ready both now and at any other time to do  
your self and the Country all possible Service but it is the great  
Apprehension of the people that after the extremity of the Winter  
is past it will be far more fit for this Service. Sir I shall  
wait your pleasure in the meantime I am

December 13 1652

Sir  
Your Servant

William Fuller

By the Lieu<sup>t</sup> & of Maryland

Forasmuch as I have newly receiv'd intelligence by Letters  
from Captain William Fuller Commander in Chief of the forces  
Raised for the intended march upon the Eastern Shoar Indians  
that the Indians have already notice of the said intended  
march with divers other very material Reasons as the danger  
of being frozen in and otherwise by the said Captain Fuller  
Given me for the deferring of the design till a more reasonable  
time and Opportunity I have therefore upon serious Consi-  
deration thereof and of the Soldiers Great want of Apparel  
and other necessaries at this unseasonable time of the Year  
thought fit and with the advice of the Council do hereby dis-  
charge all the forces Raised for the said intended march from  
any further Service therein for the present so as they may depart  
to their several habitations with their Arms Ammunition &  
provision and for so doing this shall be their Warrant Given  
at Saint Marys this 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1652

William Stone

By the Lieu<sup>t</sup> & of Maryland

Whereas by my several Commissions to Mr Edward Boyd