

belong to them as before now I shall give them a
 stock well answer therein and in the mean time so
 far as I may will secure them that in case they ap-
 pear to be lawfull since they may have them accor-
 dingly Given under my hand at Saint Marys in
 the Province of Maryland this 18th day of January
 Anno Domini 1653

William Stone

By the Lieutenant^g of Maryland

Whereas Mr Simon Oversey Merchant being an
 Englishman Born and an Inhabitant of this prov^{ce}
 of Maryland and of the Colony of Virginia now and
 for diverse years last past in which regard he ought
 to have all lawfull encouragement and protection from
 the Government here in the preservation of his estate
 and managing and prosecution of his just employments
 and Occasions these are therefore in the Lord Propriet-
 arys name strictly to Charge and Require all and every
 of the Inhabitants of this Province and persons tra-
 ding or residing here and all others whom it may Con-
 cern that they forbear and refrain in any sort to bur-
 den molest or trouble him the said Simon Oversey his
 Agents or servants in the following and managing his
 lawfull Occasions and employments trade or Commerce
 in any part of this Province with his Sloop Boat or
 other vessel or vessels as they will answer the contrary
 at⁶ Given at Saint Marys this 24th day of January
 1653

William Stone

It is noted that upon the seventeenth day of February
 1653 Mr Job Chandler took the Oath of a Councillor