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administracon to Roger Langford

Cecilius Lo: Baron: &c. to ye Worpll Roger Langford of ye Isle of Kent gent, greeting. Wee confiding much of your fidelitie doe hereby committ unto you ye administracon of all and singular ye goods rights and debts wch belonged to Miccaell Scott late of ye Isle of Kent planter, deceased intestate (as it affirmed) at ye time of his death; and doe require & depute you to be administrator of all ye rights goods & debts as aforesaid, charging you by virtue of your oath made to us in this behalfe, that you make & exhibite to ye Secretary of ye Province for ye time being a true & perfect and faithfull Inventory of all ye aforesaid goods and debts; ~~within 6 months after ye date hereof~~; and that you pay all ye debts of ye aforesaid Miccaell Scott wch were owing by him within this Province at ye time of his death, according to ye rigeure of ye lawes in that behalfe; and that you returne a true and faithfull account of yor administracon herein to us or ye Secretary, when you shall thereunto called; and that you labour and all ye officers & ministers safe and harmless agst wsomsoever by reason of this your administracon. Given at St. maries this 8th of ffebr: 1637.

Commission to Robt. Philpott &c:

Cecilius Lord Baron &c. to our trusty Robt. Philpott, William Cope, and ~~William~~ Thomas ~~Philpott~~ Allen of ye Isle of Kent gent greeting. Whereas we are willing to provide for ye government of ye said Island, therefore reposing especiall trust in your judgement and discretion, we doe hereby authorise, constitute, and appoint you ye said Robt. Philpott and either one of you by himselfe, to be Conservators of ye peace within ye said Island, to use and exercise all ye same powers and authorities wtsoever within ye said Island, as a Justice of peace in England may or ought to use by virtue of his Commission for ye peace: And further we doe authorise you ye said Robt. Philpott (to be alwaies one) to call and hold a Court-leete as often as yere shall cause; and in ye said Court to award processe, hold pleas, and to heare and ~~finally~~ determine all causes and actions wtsoever civill happening between any ye inhabitants of that Island, not exceeding in Damages or demaunds twelve hundred pound weight of tobacco; and in causes civill exceeding twelve hundred weight of tobacco, we doe authorise you ye said Robert Philpott to grant any warrant or warrants for ye arresting of any person or persons within ye Island at ye suite of any partie; or to attach any goods, and them to keepe or goods to keepe in safe custody, untill ye defdt shall gett in sufficient security to make answere to ye plaintiff at ye Court of St. maries within a certaine time to be by you limited, and to abide ye judgement of ye said Court. And we doe further authorise you ye said Robt. Philpott (to be alwaies one) to enquire of, heare, determine, and correct all misdemeanours & offences wtsoever criminall committed within ye same Island, wch may be determined and corrected by any Justice of peace in England & not extending to ye losse of life or member. And finally to doe all other things wch shall be necessary for ye execution of ye power & jurisdiction hereby committed unto you. Given at St. maries this 9th of febr: 1637. Witnesse Leonard Calvert.

Commission to Secretary and Cursitor of ye said Island to Roger Langford, vt supra.