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I doubt not but yo^r are familiar, to such unhappy passages, as were of first inducement
to necessity of continuance of yo^r government of Maryland. And although yo^r ingenious
presence of yo^r clause of (absence) in yo^r Govern^r Com^{is}. was of whole pretended
title of a continuation. I am confident it would not be held sufficient to yo^r usage
of power (even by his L^{ty}) ag^t his L^{ty} govern^r, then instated on me for those
injuring reasons.

first. The late Govern^r being out of yo^r Province had no power to grant Com^{is}. for
to rule them.

his L^{ty} himself had then yo^r immediate power, in yo^r election & choice of a Govern^r
wh^o as yo^r state of things then stood they supposed it absolutely necessary for yo^r safety
of yo^r Province is confirmed more independent of any contradiction by his L^{ty} and
this by Assembly.

3. If yo^r late misapp^r should be held lawfull. I doubt not but yo^r are sensible to what
a power yo^r Kings excessive Subjects & so consequently yo^r selves are mislead in
when yo^r single power of yo^r Govern^r should disannul his owne, and yo^r country's Act,
if a later man, his owne, I say, though acted by another person.

I have been

Gentlemen I presume upon this to make this position, of yo^r government of yo^r Province
is as inherent to mee, till his L^{ty} pleasure be further knowne, as his L^{ty} right in
yo^r Province, or as yo^r his Counsel. What insufferable losses, both of fortunes, & credit
I have sustayned, I doubt not, but report him brought it to yo^r. But in respect of friends
of yo^r interests of these, I have bene ruined by yo^r unjust breach of yo^r Composit^{ion}
and easily clamorous in my ear. For I was assured, if not credit, or loss, will
give me, I foresee, to some strange, overture in yo^r business. I am altogether unwilling
to knowe of those, and what a mandation, loss, & ruine it will produce,
to yo^r whole, I am not ignorant of. I had rather some moderate way were taken,
for yo^r satisfaction on all sides. Iustion by yo^r death of yo^r late Govern^r (as now late
at discontents may be easily quietted, & brought to good termes of qualification
I have may breath a quiet poss^{ion} into them, & every one there, restor^{ed}. But
if yo^r should once breake out, it is to be feared yo^r proceeding from such an
excess of discontent, if it may overwhelm yo^r whole. Ist on this there is only
difference in yo^r power of yo^r Govern^r, not his L^{ty} titles infringed, nor yo^r power
of yo^r yo^r may be confident, it may be acted wth out guilt or yo^r punishment
thereof. w^{ch} will happily fall on yo^r opposers. Howsoever (I mee. Ist Will^m Barkleys
was on my owne can procure a private right but by Attorney) I have little hope
to provide, in this business, of such concern^t. yet if I might give a fayre dem^{onstr}
of yo^r wth yo^r of all proceedings, I have adventured to write thus much unto yo^r
as might be most friendly, I have request yo^r answer, I would be yo^r attempt of
to secure me the safety of yo^r Province under his L^{ty}. It is faile for all yo^r power
yo^r may be alone worthy. For others of same^s differ out from mine, pointed