

Chief Governor for the time being permitted to remain in
 my custody. I will not wilfully or fraudulently deface alter change
 or in anywise diminish or procure to be wilfully or fraudulently
 laced defaced altered or in anywise the said Records
 or any of them. I will truly and faithfully keep the
 Seal of the... Province so long as the same shall be permitted
 by his Lordship or his Chief Gov^t for the time being
 to remain in my custody and will not directly
 nor permit or suffer the same to be used contrary
 to my duty and trust reposed in me by Charles Calvert Esq^r
 his Lordships Lieutenant and Chief Governor for the time being
 I will keep true & fair record of all such things as shall
 be required to enter in the Secretaries Office. Parliament Court
 Business or Council. I will in all things & upon all
 occasions do Right to all manner of People both rich and
 poor without favour or affection hatred or malice to any
 person or persons whatsoever

To help me God and by the Consents
 of this Court

Witness that the Eighth day of May Anno 1699 the
 within mentioned John Blomfield took the within spec-
 ified Oath before me

Charles Calvert

Instructions and powers for John Blomfield

Impuris You are required after my departure to remove
 all the Business to the Office at Saint Marys by virtue of
 that Commission granted you you are to attend & dispatch
 all Business that shall be brought you

Secondly When you are impowered to enter all Ships and
 vessels that shall arrive in Saint Marys Toward to keep
 a Book of Entry of all such Ships and vessels that shall
 rise either in that port or any other place in Patowmack River