

his Lordship or his chief Governor for the time being to be
 main in my Custody and will not directly or indirectly ^{we} 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 a true and full Record
 of all such things as I shall be required to enter in the Secretaries
 Office Provincial Court & Business for Council I will in all
 things and upon all Occasions do Right to all manner of
 people both Poor and rich without favour or affection hatred or
 Malice to any person or persons whatsoever

To help me God and by the
 Contents of this Book

Memorandum that the Ninth day of November Anno
 1670 the within mentioned Tho^s Calvert took the within
 specified Oath before me
 William Talbot Esq^r

Memorandum that thirteenth and twentieth day of March
 Anno 1673 the before mentioned Oath of Chief Clerk of the
 Provincial Court and Secretaries Office was administered
 unto John Blomfield as Chief Clerk of the honble William
 Calvert Esq^r Principal Secretary of Maryland

C. Ballmer

Cecilus Absolute Lord & Proprietary of the
 Province of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Balli-
 more to all to whom these presents shall come Greeting Know
 ye that we upon special trust and Confidence... in the
 fidelity and Circumspection in our dear Nephew William
 Talbot Esq^r have given and Granted and for us and for us
 and our heirs Assigns do by these presents Give and Grant
 unto the said William Talbot the Office of chief and principal