

It has been thought convenient by Cecilius Calvert Lord and Proprietary of the Province of Maryland and his Excellency Lord B. Bacons of Baltimore &c &c with his Commission under his hand and Great Seal at Arms deputed and appointed in his Lieutenant General and chief Governor of this said Province and Given me full power and absolute Authority upon any emergent Occasion to Constitute and appoint any Officer Civil or Military within this Province as to me should seem expedient and for that his said Lordship hath by his instructions of the 21 of March 1669 required myself and Council to use our utmost endeavours for the sealing and inhabiting of the Seaboard side on the Eastern shore and on Odeon Bay within the fortieth degree of North Latitude and particularly the Worehollow and for that Thomas Whalley Surveyor General of this Province is at present absent from the Province and although the said Surveyor hath taken Care to depose Thomas Hawk of Ann Arundell County Gent Deputy Surveyor General to act in his absence with as full power and Authority as if he were personally present yet Considering the Remoteness of the said Deputy Surveyor General's habitation from the Office whence commissions to Deputy Surveyors ought to come and the present necessity and want that there is of a Deputy Surveyor within the County of Somerset and on the Seaboard side on the Eastern shore &c and in Obedience to his said Lordships Instructions for the speedy sealing of the said places & exposing Especial care and diligence in operability Skill and diligent execution thereof of Surveying in the laying out of Lands and Running out of Lines have and by these presents do Authorise depose Constitute and Appoint you the said James Weston to be a Deputy Surveyor in full and ample manner as any other Deputy Surveyor is at present in this Province and we execute all Warrants that shall come to your hands either from myself the Secretary for the time being or other Officer Empowered to Grant