

April the 4th 1636

There was the Hon^{ble} Philip Calvert Esq^r Sworne Sheriffe of this Province before his Excellency the Right Hon^{ble} Charles Lord Baltimore the Hon^{ble} W^m Calvert Esq^r Sworne Principall Secretary and Notary publick of this Province

The Hon^{ble} Philip Calvert Esq^r Sworne One of his Excellency's justices of the Provinciaall Court and of his Excellency's Council.

The Hon^{ble} William Calvert Esq^r Sworne One of his Excellency's justices of the Provinciaall Court and of his Excellency's Council.

The Hon^{ble} Philip Calvert Esq^r Sworne judge in Testamentary Causes according to the Forme of the Oath following vizt.

That he will truly and faithfully execute the Office & place of the judge or Commissary Generall for the proving of wills & granting of Administrations and in all other matters and causes incident and dependent thereunto And will administer justice equally to all parties without any partiality according to the best of his Skill & Judgment So God Almighty help him & the holy contents of that booke.

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There was the Hon^{ble} Baker Brooke Esq^r the Hon^{ble} Jesse Wharton Esq^r and the Hon^{ble} Thomas Taylor Esq^r Sworne of his Excellency's Council and justices of the Provinciaall Court before his Lordship

(In Baltimore)

Charles Associate Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baltimore &c Co all Our Officers in Our said Province of Maryland and all others whom these presents may concerne Greeting Know ye that Wee reposing speciall trust and confidence in the wisdom Diligence experience and fidelity of Our trusty and Dear Cousin William Calvert Esq^r have constituted appointed and Ordained and by these presents doe constitute appoint and Ordaine him the said W^m Calvert to be Our Principall Secretary of Our said Province of Maryland and to have all such priviledges and benefitts as belongeth to Our Principall Secretary there And we doe by these presents appoint constitute and Ordaine the said W^m Calvert to be Our Principall Officer and Keeper of the Acts and Proceedings of Us and Our Council here for the time being and of and for the Entering and recording of all Grants by Us or Our Heirs to be made of any Lands or Offices within Our said Province To have and to hold execute and enjoy the said Office of Principall Secretary together with the priviledges and benefitts aforesaid unto the said W^m Calvert until wee or Our Heirs shall signify Our or their pleasure to the contrary and no longer provided always that he take in Open Court in Our said Province the Oath of Our Secretary there before he sitt or act as Secretary in Our said Province to be likewise administered to him by Us or any two of Our Council there who are hereby impowred and required to administer the same unto him (these) accordingly. - provided always that he the said William Calvert shall from

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