

Whereas the Governour and Councell have been informed that the freemen in Charles County are obstinately inclined to elect Capt. Jonas Findall for their Deputie in the next Assembly notwithstanding he is a person by his Letters of pardon exempt from bearing any Publick Office in this Province, and hath been formerly refused to sit in the Assembly being thereunto chosen, To prevent the same for ever hereafter, It is resolved that the following order be sent to the Sheriff of that County viz

By the Governour & Councell

Whereas there is a writt issued forth to the Sheriff of Charles County for the electing of a new Deputie in the room of Capt. John Allen lately deceased for that County to be and appear at the next General Assembly to be held at the City of St. Maries on the Twentieth Day of October next ensuing, and whereas we are given to understand that the freemen of the said County are apt to vote for and make choice of Capt. Jonas Findall to be their Deputie, he being a person exempt by his Letters of pardon formerly granted him from bearing any Publick Office in this Province, and also from having any vote in Elections or being himselfe elected, It is ordered that the said Sheriff at any time of the said Election, rightly inform the freemen thereof to the end that they may not miss of their Election and so want One of their number of Deputies in the said Assembly wch if they make choice of the said Findall they will certainly do so, he having formerly been chosen & not admitted to sit in the Assembly.

On Monday October the 7<sup>th</sup> 1678. the Governour of Lett. Did Direct the Service of the Councell then at St. Maries for the settling of the militia in the severall Counties for the defence and safeguard of the Inhabitants from the assaults and attempts of the Indians During the sitting of the Assembly wch was to begin October the 20<sup>th</sup> 78: So wch on Thursday the 30<sup>th</sup> instant he reciev'd the following Lett. of Service of the Gov. viz.

We have reciev'd your Letter of the 27<sup>th</sup> day together with the Lett. of Col. Thomas Sailer and the conference with the King of Mattawomack and Chotick, and Col. Douglas his Lett. of the 20<sup>th</sup> day: whereupon relating to Hugh French we have taken the contents of the Lett. into consideration and as to our security against any attempts may be made by the Indians during the time of the Assemblys sitting we are of Opinion that the Common Rangers now and pay in Charles County, Calvert County, Anne Arundell County and Baltimore County are sufficient to keep the Indians from that we are awake and watchfull, But we are likewise of Opinion that the Rangers in Charles County ought to be ordered not to Range above the Fort at Pasattoway any more, and to keep ranging betwix Pasattoway and the English Plantations that