

Robotham gentl. greeting. Know yee that we for the great trust and
 confid. we have in your fidelities circumspection and prudence and
 wisdom have constituted or made and appointed and do by this writ
 constitute ord. in and appoint you the said William Currey, Philimon
 Royd, Edward Mann, Peter Sayer and William Hensley, William Bi-
 shop James Murphy William Lamb and George Robotham gentl.
 Commissioners jointly and severally to keep the peace in Talbot County
 and to keep and cause to be kept all law and ord. made for the
 good and conservation of the peace, and for the quiet rule and government
 of the people in all and every the Articles of the same and to chastise
 and punish all persons offending against the form of any the law and
 ord. of our said Province or of any of them in Talbot County
 aforesaid as according to the form of those laws and ord. shall
 be first to be done; We have also constituted and ordained you & every
 four or more of you of which you the said William Currey, Philimon
 Royd, Edward Mann, Peter Sayer and William Hensley (unless some
 one of our Council be present) are also to be our Commissioners to inquire
 by the oath of good and lawfull men of your County aforesaid of
 all manner of felonies, witchcrafts, Inchantments, Sorcery, Magick
 Arts, Treasons, Forfealings, Infringings and portions whatsoever
 and of all and singular other misdemeanors and offences of which Justices
 of the peace in England may or ought lawfully to inquire by whomsoever
 or whosoever done or perpetrated or which hereafter shall happen to
 be done or perpetrated in the County aforesaid against the law and
 ord. of our said Province provided you proceed not in any of the
 cases aforesaid to take life or member, but that in every such case
 you send the prisoners with their indictments and the whole matter
 depending before you to the next Prov. Court to be holden for our said
 Province whosoever or whosoever to be holden thence to be tried And
 further we do hereby authorize you to issue writs process Arrests
 and Attachments to hold place of Oyer and Terminer and after judgment
 Execution to Award in all causes civil whether in Actions real
 or personal according to the law and Ord. and reasonable Customs
 made or used in our said Province of Maryland, in which laws civil
 so to be tried we do constitute ord. in and appoint you William
 Currey, Philimon Royd, Edward Mann, Peter Sayer and ~~also~~ William
 Hensley to be Judges as aforesaid (unless some one of our Council
 be then in Court) And therefore we command you that you diligently
 intend the keeping of the peace laws and ord. and all and singular
 other the premises and at certain times appointed according to Act
 of Assembly in that case provided, And such places where you or any
 four or more of you as aforesaid shall in that behalf appoint
 You make inquirers upon the premises and perform and fulfill the same
 in form aforesaid doing therein that which to Justice appertaineth