

Examination of the Premises, or hearing any Evidence on her  
 part hath illegally found her guilty, and for the remitting her  
 Punishment out of ill-will to your Petitioner, ha be laid on  
 him a Fine of six thousand pound of Tobacco the like President  
 was never known of before, W<sup>h</sup> therefore your Petitioner humbly  
 prays your Excellency's Clemency that you would please to grant  
 an Order to the Justices of the said County, for the remitting  
 of the said unreasonable Fine, or at least so much of it as to  
 your Excellency may seem convenient, otherwise your Petition  
 is doubtful that now in his old Age he and his Family in a  
 manner are likely to be ruined, and further your Petitioner  
 hopes that his request may be granted, by reason that what hath  
 been done, was done before your Excellency's happy arrival into  
 this Province - for which

Your Petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray

The contents of the foregoing Petition is referred to further  
 Consideration for answer to be given thereto

His Excellency the Governor having Granted to Tho<sup>s</sup>  
 Tench Esq<sup>r</sup> the following Commission did order the same to  
 be recorded in this Journal as follows Viz<sup>t</sup>

Maryland<sup>s</sup>

William & Mary by the Grace of God King & Queen  
 of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, Defenders of the Faith  
 &c<sup>t</sup> To Thomas Tench of Ann Arundell County Esq<sup>r</sup> Greeting,  
 Out of the especial trust and confidence we have in your Loyalty  
 Integrity prudent care and circumspection, we have ordained  
 constituted and appointed, as by these Presents we do ordain  
 constitute, and appoint, you the said Thomas Tench, Our  
 Treasurer or Receiver Generall of our publick Dues and duties  
 in our Province of Maryland, Viz<sup>t</sup> the four pence of Gallon  
 Imposition on all liquors imported into this Province, together  
 with all Fines, Forfeitures, and Amercements arising and beco-  
 ming due unto us in any of our Courts of Judicature, or other-  
 wise within our said Province, according to the Laws, Customs  
 and reasonable usage of our said Province, hereby Giving  
 and Granting unto you our said Treasurer or Receiver Gen<sup>l</sup>  
 full Power and authority, to ask, demand, Collect, & receive of