

Governor: Gen: of our Colony & Dominion of Virginia in America # #
greeting Whereas by our Commission under our Great Seal of England #
bearing date the 27th day of June in the third year of our Reign
Wee have thought fit to constitute & appoint our Trusty & well beloved
Lieut: Collyer Esq: our Cap: Gen: & Governour in Chief in & over our
Provinces & Territory of Maryland in America: And whereas by our # #
Commission under our Signet & Signet Manuall Wee have appointed our
Trusty & well beloved Cap: Francis Nicholson to be our Lieut: Gov:rn:
of our said Provinces & Territory, Wee reposing speciall Trust & # #
confidence in your Loyalty, Courage & Circumspection, doe by this
Instruments constitute & appoint you the said Sr: Donald Andrews, upon
the death of the said Cap: Francis Nicholson and in the absence of
the said Col: Lieut: Collyer to be Command: in Chief in & over our
said Provinces & Territory of Maryland, To have, hold, Exercise &
Enjoy the Office & place of Command: in Chief of our said Provinces
and Territory of Maryland for & during our pleasure, with all the
Rights, priviledges, profits & advantages to the same belonging and
appertaining in case of the death of the said Cap: Francis Nicholson
and absence of the said Col: Lieut: Collyer as afores: with full power
& authority, to execute & performe all & singular the powers & directions
contained in our said Commission to the said Col: Lieut: Collyer & such
instructions as Wee have already or shall hereafter from time to
time send to him. And Wee hereby Command all & singular our
Officers, Ministers & loving Subjects of our said Provinces & Territory
and all others whom it may concern to take due Notice hereof & to
give their ready obedience accordingly, Given at our Court at Kensington
the third day of March 1692: in the fourth year of our Reign.

By His Ma:ties Command
Donald Andrews
Proving: am.