

of the 21<sup>st</sup> of December, and 11<sup>th</sup> of April  
 last together with Articles of impeachment against  
 Mr Thomas Lawrence Secretary of that Province upon  
 which Articles the Governor & Council of Maryland  
 acquainted Mr. L<sup>o</sup>. they had committed & confined  
 Mr Thomas Lawrence and had excluded him from  
 being of the Council & Judge of the Provincial Court  
 there appearing to the Com<sup>rs</sup> no ground for such  
 Proceedings although the allegations contained in the  
 said Articles were true, but that the Proceedings  
 of the Governor & Council in this Matter are illegal  
 and Arbitrary: Their Com<sup>rs</sup> are of Opinion that the  
 Governor & Council of Maryland be directed to give  
 Mr Thomas Lawrence a Copy of the Articles transmitted  
 against him, and that he return his Answer unto  
 them, to the End their Mat<sup>rs</sup> Pleasures thereupon may  
 be known, and that in the mean time Mr Thomas  
 Lawrence be set at Liberty and be restored to his places  
 of Councilor & Judge of the Provincial Court, and that  
 he receive no molestation or disturbance in the full  
 Enjoyment of his Office of Secretary of Maryland, according  
 to his Mat<sup>rs</sup> former Order in Council of the 2<sup>nd</sup> of  
 March last and that permission be given in Maryland  
 to examine all Persons that shall give Evidence in this  
 Matter