

Commission of the Admiralty Warrant for issuing full commissions Commission of Vice-Admiral &c.

Whereas Request has been made unto Sir Francis Nicholson Esq. Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over their Province and Territory of Maryland in America that he may hold the place of Vice-Admirall of the Province and Territory of Maryland in America Which have thought fit according to the Power given us by their M^{ts} Commission under the Great Seal of England to Grant - These are therefore to direct & require you to cause Letters Patents of the Vice-Admiralty of the Province and Territory of Maryland in America to be issued out of the High Court of Admiralty in their M^{ts} Names to the said Francis Nicholson Esq. to continue until further Order in as large and ample manner as the same has been formerly granted to any others or according to the usual forme of Letters Patents granted to Vice-Admiralls in England with power to Ordain and appoint his Deputies and Under Officers and with Proviso that just Account be made every year and in default the said Letters Patents to cease and determine for which this shall be your Warrant Dated at the Admiralty Office this 19th day of Feb^r.

To Sir Charles Hedges Esq. Judge of the High Courts of Admiralty.

By Com^{rs} of the Com^{rs} J. Tollemys

Wm. Lumber
H. Westman
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For Sir Francis Nicholson Governor of Maryland, These
Adm^{ty} Office 19th March 9³⁴

The R^{ts} Hon^{rs} Com^{rs} of the Admiralty Com^{rs} and me to acquaint you that they desire to speake with you here this Evening about six