

Judge Thos. & George Mawson & by their authority  
subscribed the witness they say he did declare that  
what Collected & Name Officers has not made oath  
to their like <sup>by</sup> list of shippings that they make oath  
to the same before the next adjacent Counsellor.

From his Excellency Hugh Blakiston Esq<sup>r</sup> pro  
curer his Majestys Royal Commission under the Great  
Seal of England bearing date at Westminster the nineteenth  
day of October in the tenth year of his Majestys reign  
constituting & appointing his said Excellency Coll<sup>r</sup> Bla  
kiston to be his Majestys Captain General & Comman  
der in chief in & over this his Province of Maryland

His Majestys several Commissions & Letters &c being  
produced that the Commission appointing several Pe  
ople to administer the oaths appointed by the Act of  
Parliament of the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> years of his present Ma  
jesty's Reign included an act for preventing frauds & regu  
lating Trade in the plantation trade to his Excellency  
Coll<sup>r</sup> Blakiston which he delivered to his Excellency  
Coll<sup>r</sup> Blakiston & wished him that he thought  
it for his Majestys service that the several Officers of  
the custom in this Province should take the same oath  
which he had caused to be administered to them & de  
livered the Commission to Coll<sup>r</sup> Blakiston

Then and his Majestys Commission under the  
Seal of the Admiralty empowering his Excellency the  
Governor of this Province to constitute & Commissio  
nate Judge Advocate & Register in the Provinces of Mary  
land & Pennsylvania & their Survey which the Clerk of  
the Council is ordered to keep his Excellency say that  
he has appointed Judge the twelfth Tho French Esq<sup>r</sup>