

Maryland
 By the Honble the President & Council
 We do hereby in her Majesty's name directed
 Commanded & Required upon sight hereof to deliver
 unto Mr Matthew Beard Marshall two men now on
 Board her Majesty's Advice Boat the one called John
 Mayers the other Robert Shantz both being impressed from
 the Board the Ship Commodore's name James Mitchell
 Master contrary to the intent & Direction of His Majesty
 the said Ship being at present but weekly manner &
 being likely to suffer by means of the said two hands said
 our Duty to comply with this Order as you will answer
 the contrary as your Oath given under our hands &
 seals the 15 day of April in the second year of her
 Majesty's reign & Annoy Dom 1703

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| | Thomas Smith | President | ⊙ |
| To the Commander in | John Hammond | | ⊙ |
| Chief for the time being on | Edmund Lloyd | | ⊙ |
| Board her Majesty's Ship | Will ^m Howard | | ⊙ |
| Advice Boat | | | |

Resolved also that this further order be sent on
 Board her Majesty's said Advice Boat by the Marshall &
 Maryland

We do hereby in her Majesty's name com
 mand & Require you immediately upon sight hereof
 to transmit to this Board your Reasons why our order
 of Yesterday for the service of her ^{most sacred} Majesty were not
 fully complied with further you are in her said Maj
 esty's regard & Commandments forthwith to transmit
 to us the President & Council on whom the Government
 of this Province in the absence of her Excellency Col^l