

Upon considering the Petition and the Answer thereto  
which was read to the petitioners and having heard the  
allegations of both parties and for that it is alledged by  
the Magistrates of the Corporation in their answer that  
they did not take up or Commit those persons / as Convicts  
and consequently persons of evil fame / by any Law  
of their own making but what they did was by virtue  
of their duty as Magistrates and according to Law

Therefore this Board are humbly of Opinion that  
if they have acted contrary thereto the Petitioners have  
their Paper Return at Law to which they are Referred

Which is Ordered to be endorsed on the said Petition  
and to be delivered to the Factors of the said Forward

Maryland's

At a Council held at the Council Cham-  
ber in the City of Annapolis on Wednesday  
the 17<sup>th</sup> day of February in the tenth Year  
of his Lordships Dominion &c Annoq  
Qui 1724/5

Were Present

The honble Charles Calvert Esq<sup>r</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>

the honble } Col<sup>l</sup> Samuel Young  
John Hall Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Col<sup>l</sup> Thomas Addison } Members of  
Col<sup>l</sup> Richard Tilghman } his Lordships  
John Rowdy Esq<sup>r</sup> } honble Council  
A Ben<sup>g</sup> Fisher Esq<sup>r</sup>

At Attorney General having produced to this  
Board a deposition of Thomas Bradley Esq<sup>r</sup> in the