

hereby publish and make known that it his most sacred Majesty's Royal Pleasure, that  
 when any of His Subjects following their lawful Trade in the West Indies or elsewhere  
 in America shall be unjustly plundered or despoiled of their Ships or Goods by any  
 Persons of what Nation soever, the said Sufferers do by the first Opportunity give in the  
 most authentick Proofs of the Damages and Losses they have sustained upon Oath before  
 the Judge of the Vice Admiralty Court; which Judge after due Examination of the  
 matter is to deliver to the said Sufferers a Declaratory Sentence under his hand and  
 the Seal of the Court setting forth the particular Circumstances, when, where, and by whom  
 committed, from what Port the Vessel or Vessels that did the damage was or were fitted out,  
 and to what Port the Ship or Goods were carried, and the Value of the same, and that the  
 whole has been duly proved upon Oath before him, which Sentence or Duplicate thereof  
 is to be lodged in the hands of the Governor for the time being that it may be delivered  
 to the Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Ships in the West Indies or some Captain  
 of his Majesty's Ships who is thereupon to go to the Port where such Ship or Goods of his  
 Majesty's Subjects shall have been carried in, or from whence such Ship or Ships or Vessels  
 was or were fitted out in Order to procure the immediate Release of such of his  
 Majesty's Subjects as may have been taken together with full Restitution of the Ships  
 or Goods so plundered and taken or the Value thereof, or else the delivering up the persons  
 or Ships that committed the fact, or to make Reprisals in such manner as is directed  
 by the Orders in that behalf AND to the Intent that all Persons concerned may have  
 due Notice thereof I Do strictly require and Command . . . . . the said Sheriffs  
 of this Province to make this my Proclamation publick in their respective Counties  
 in the usual manner as they will answer the Contrary at their Peril Given at Annapolis  
 this fifteenth Day of April in the seventeenth year of His Majesty's the Lord Proprietary's  
 Dominion of Anno Domini 1731

God save the King & the Lord Proprietary

Ordered that the Secretary of State his letter dated 25<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1730, be recorded in the Office  
 of the Court of Vice Admiralty, amongst the Proceedings of the said Court

His Excellency acquaints this Board, that upon Application of John Young, he drew an Order  
 upon Job Samuel Young payable to the said John for his Years Salary for cleaning the Arms &  
 Ending 11<sup>th</sup> January last