

The Humble Address of the Lower House of Assembly
May it please your Lordship

By an Act of Assembly of this Province, certain Days are appointed in which the several County Courts therein are to be held, which Act limits the Number of Courts in the Year to four, and gives a Power to any two Justices, One being of the Quorum when and as often as Need shall require, to adjourn the said County Courts, Process and Proceedings therein depending, to such short Time as they should see convenient, which only impowers the Justices to adjourn, in Order to finish Business actually depending, and not for the Return of any Original Writts: Notwithstanding which the Justices of Talbot County Court, have assumed a Power of appointing and holding a fifth Court, in the said County, to which Original Writts are made returnable, expressly contrary to the said Act of Assembly; which Practice this House conceives to be a dangerous Encroachment on the legislative Authority, Your Lordships Prerogative, and an Aggrievance to the People, and that Our Duty to Your Lordship and the People We represent, obliges Us to apply to Your Lordship, and to pray that You will be pleased to give such directions, as to Your Lordship in your Wisdom shall seem convenient, to put a stop to such unwarrantable Proceedings

Signed by Order of the House
Jn. Mackall Speaker

The Justices of Talbot County appearing this Day according to the Summons issued by Order of the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary; They are by the Lord Proprietary made acquainted with the contents of the above Address; and desired if such has been the Practice in the said County of Talbot; They desist therefrom for the future

Order'd that the following Act of Assembly Intituled an Act for Settlement of an Annual Revenue upon Her Majestys Governor within this Province for the Time being; made at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the Town and Port of Annapolis in Ann Arundel County the fifth Day of September in the third Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lady Ann by the Grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland Queen Defender of the Faith &c and in the Year of Our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and four be recorded in the Council Book

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Whereas, by an Act of Assembly formerly made, intituled, An Act for providing a support for the Lord Proprietary of this Province, and likewise a Supply for defraying