

At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Saturday the 30. Day of July in the seventh Year of his Lordships Dominion Annoque Domini 1757.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq. Governor

The honorable } Benjamin Tusher Esq. } Col. Benjamin Tusher
} Col. Charles Hammond. } Daniel Dulany Esq.

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Petition.

To his Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq. Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland &c.

The Petition of the Subscribers hereunto humbly sheweth

That it please your Excellency.

Whereas Conrad Reffier last March Court held in and

for the County of Cecil was indicted and convicted of stealing a calf the Property of Benjamin M^r. Vee, and whereas also it has since been clearly made appear unto us by several Persons of undoubted Credit that the aforesaid Conrad Reffier did not steal the said Calf but that it was in fact stole by five Soldiers belonging to Captain Stanton then quartered at Charles Town, and that he the said Captain Stanton offered to pay him the said Benjamin M^r. Vee the Value of said Calf, and thereupon called and held a Court Martial for two Days at Charles Town to have said Soldiers punished according to their Deserts, notwithstanding the said Benjamin M^r. Vee altho' he had proper Notice would not appear, unless Captain Stanton would give him four times the Value of the Calf

The Premises considered, and altho' that whereas the said Conrad Reffier hath resided in Charles Town upwards of ten Years, and hath always been reputed an industrious honest Man, we therefore humbly supplicate your Excellency to grant him the said Conrad Reffier a Pardon in such Manner as to your Excellency may seem most expedient and your Excellency's Petitioners shall ever pray.

John Veazey Geo. Catto Elisha Hall
Nehemiah Hyland Wm. Thornton W. Moody
Nathan Baker T. Braynatt James Fowkes.

Upon reading the above Petition, it is the Advice of this Board that his Excellency be pleased to order a Pardon to be made out for the said Conrad Reffier which issued accordingly.

Ordered by the Advice of this Board that the following Proclamation issue.

Maryland &c. By his Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq. Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland &c.
Proclamation