

His Excellency having been ^{to} represent to the Council that in consequence of an Application from
Redick of Frederick County complaining that he was forcibly kept out of Possession of a Tract of Land
called Carrolls Delight by Persons pretending to deny the Jurisdiction of the Government of Mary-
land over the said Land and claiming to be within the Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania he had recd
a Letter to the honourable John Penn Esq. Governor of Pennsylvania acquainting him there-
with. And having laid before the Council for their Advice Governor Penns. Answer thereto, and
also the Record of the Proceedings and Opinion of the Magistrates of Frederick County Court together
with other Papers relative thereto, which are as follows.

Sir

Philadelphia 5th April 1767.

I received your Favor of the 26th March last by John Redick, who appears to have been
very injuriously and cruelly treated and being sincerely disposed to assist him as well as to promote the
Peace and Tranquility of the two Provinces, I could wish it were in my Power to afford him the Relief
his wrongs so loudly demand. It appears that the Land of which he has been dispossessed was granted
by Lord Baltimore in the Year 1733 and was possessed under that Grant in the Year 1730 when
the Royal Order for settling the Temporary Line was made, by that Order the Possessions of Lands
though beyond the Temporary Limit prescribed by it, and the Jurisdictions of the respective Pro-
vincers, were to remain as they then were till the boundaries between the two Provinces should
be finally settled.

The Right of Jurisdiction therefore depends on the Determination of a previous Que-
stion, which is, Whether what the Commissioners have hitherto done is a final Settlement of the
boundaries, and I confess I cannot help being of Opinion, that as things stand the matter is not
yet brought to such an issue as to make it prudent for this Government to interpose on this
Occasion and I am the more confirmed in this Opinion because the Jurisdiction on either side
the tangent Line still remains unchanged, though the boundaries have for some time been
set up in that Line. Another consideration, that induces me to decline any interposition in the affair
is that the Person now in Possession had the Deed under which he claims, recorded in Maryland, and
has paid the Quit Rent of the Land, even since the Violence committed to the Agents of Lord Bal-
timore, and thereby, as I conceive, he not only hath acknowledged, but your Government hath
claimed and exercised Jurisdiction in this Case. But though I cannot for the Reasons I have offered
afford the injured Person the Relief he stands in Need of, You may be assured that those who have in-
jured him shall receive all possible discountenance from this Government.

His Excellency
Gov. Sharpe.

I have the honour to be with great Regard
Sir your most obedient humble Servant

John Penn

We the Magistrates of Frederick County Court hereby certify that the following Proceed-
ings in a forcible Entry and Detainer committed upon part of a Tract of Land called Carrolls Delight
were exhibited to us at a Court held for the same County on the Seventh Day of December in the
Year Seventeen hundred and Sixty Six vizt.

Frederick County to wit.

Thomas Price Gentleman One of the Justices of the Right
Honourable