

"by his Actions and wrests the Government of the Province out of his hands by the Fury of a Mob" - Is not this, I pray your Excellency, a Matter proper for the Enquiry of those, who are the Supporters of his Lordships Government, and the Guardians of his Prerogatives? can such a Piece of Information be properly overlooked, when it comes from a Person, who is under every Tie to consult and promote his Lordships Interest, and holds a place of great Honour Profit and Trust in his Service? Let the Event of this Enquiry be what it will it must redound to his Lordships Interest - If the Charges can be supported the Man, who has been thus unfaithful to his Lordship, ought to be discarded from his Service with every Mark of Disgrace. - If on the other hand they should appear to be the Effusions of a Heart, inflamed by the most rancorous Malice, and Dead to every feeling of truth, Honour and common Justice, his Lordship will have the best Grounds for judging of the real Character of a Man whom he has honoured with his Confidence and favour, and will be able to make a fair Estimate of the Merit of his past as well as future Representations -

The End of this Address to Your Excellency is, that an Examination may be had into this Affair before Your Excellency and his Lordships Council, and that the Reverend Mr. Bennet Allen his Lordships Agent may have timely Notice of the Meeting, that he may come prepared with all his Evidence to support the Allegations contained in his Printed Paper above mentioned. -

I shall trouble your Excellency no further at present than to deny in the most solemn Manner, that I had any hand in Writing, advising or Publishing directly or indirectly the Piece inserted the Maryland Gazette signed A Parishioner of all Saints. I further declare that I know not who is the Author of it, and that the reputed Author is to me an entire Stranger. As this makes one of Mr. Allens Charges, I just mention it, that he may come prepared with Proofs on that head also -

September 26. 1760.

I beg your Excellencys Pardon for the trouble of this long Letter, and am Sir  
Your Excellencys most Obedt and very hble Servt  
Walter Dilany

On Consideration of the foregoing Letter, it is the humble Advice and Opinion of this Board, that as Mr. Bennet Allen hath by his Answer to the Governors Letter of the 20<sup>th</sup> Ult<sup>o</sup> declined to undertake the proof of the Facts, suggested in the Piece published in the Pennsylvania Chronicle, and does not choose to acknowledge himself the Author of that Piece, they do not think His Excellency can properly take any further step in Consequence of the above Letter to him, but are of Opinion that the said Letter should be entered in the Council Proceedings.

At a Council held at the Governors on the 2<sup>d</sup> Day of  
October in the Eighteenth Year of His Lordships Dominion Anno Domini 1760.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq<sup>r</sup> Governour.

The Honble { Benedict Calvert Esq<sup>r</sup>  
John Rutoult Esq<sup>r</sup>

John Beale Bordley Esq<sup>r</sup>

Read the Transcript of the Conviction of Andrew Windfield, late of Baltimore County, convicted, at the last Assize Court held in and for the said County, of a certain Man slain by him Committed - On Consideration whereof It is the Humble Advice and Opinion of this Board that a Pardon ought to be given to the said Andrew Windfield, if upon enquiry of the Judges of Assize his Excellency should find that any favourable Circumstances appeared on the Trial.