

Friday 12 August 1785

The Council met

Present as on yesterday. -

The Council adjourned till tomorrow morning 11 o'clock

Saturday 13th August 1785

The Council met

Present the Honorable

(Aquila Paca), John Davidson

Samuel S. Wright, John H. Stone Esquires

A Petition from Benjamin Culver of Hartford County was laid before the Board setting forth that he was employed as a Deputy Sheriff for the said County. That in the settlement of accounts for public dues with Mr John Copeland he ignorantly took more than was legally due, but without saying that if he received any more than was legal it should be rectified - That upon examining, he afterwards discovered he had received one shilling or thirteen pence more than he was legally entitled to, which he declares was done through inadvertence - That in consequence of his conduct he was called before the Court of the said County to answer for the same, who considered the affair in its trivial point of view that they fined him one shilling and three pence only, being well satisfied it was through ignorance and not design - That the Clerk of the Court through a multiplicity of Business omitted to make an entry of their Determination, which occasioned him to be again called on to appear and was then recognized in Fifteen pounds - That James Horner the then Sheriff being at that time confined in Gaol no recourse could be had to his papers among which was the Execution so that when Culver attended Court and not producing the necessary papers his Recognizance became forfeited - And three of the Justices having certified the truth of the facts contained in his said Petition - The Board are of Opinion that the said Recognizance be remitted and do hereby Order and direct a Remission accordingly

Aq^l Paca John Davidson

Sam^l S. Wright

The Council adjourned till Monday Morning 11 o'clock -