

The Council proceeded to the appointment of Magistrates, and on
Motion Resolved That if it appears to the Board that there were more
Magistrates in any County than necessary they would reduce the Number, and
in such manner as to have not more than One in each Hundred, unless
very large, and in such Case not more than two; and three or more in Town
or near the Court House and where there were two in a Hundred of equal
Integrity, Ability and Attachment to the Government, and equally convenient
the Senior Magistrate to be preferred.

Commissions issued to Joseph Gilpin, John Legick
Knight, Stephen Wyland, John Dockery Thompson, Samuel Glenn, Samuel
Wells, Elihu Wall of Elepha, Sidney George, James Lottel, Nathan
Vorton, Jeremiah Baker, Thomas Russell, Nathaniel Ramsey,
Michael Wallace and Richard Bond appointed Justices of Cecil County
Joseph Gilpin, John Dockery Thompson, Jeremiah
Baker, Thomas Russell and Nathaniel Ramsey appointed Justices of
the Esphane Court of Cecil County

The Council adjourned till tomorrow morning 10^o Clock

Thursday 16th February 1786

The Council met

Present as on Yesterday

The Council adjourned till tomorrow morning 10^o Clock

Friday 17th February 1786

The Council met

Present His Excellency William Smallwood Esquire

The Honorable { Jeremiah Downley (Chase)
James (Brew)
Gabriel Duwall
John Kelly } Esquires

The Council adjourned till tomorrow morning 10^o Clock