

Saturday 27th August 1791

The Council met

Pres^t the Honble Henry Ridgely

Randolph B. Latimer

John Davidson

John Kilty

Esquires

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to Benjamin Mackall Esq^r Fifty pounds for a quarter's Salary as one of the Judges of the Court of Appeals due the 1st instant

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Joseph Ireland of Calvert County by his Petition sets forth that he has been fined in the sum of forty pounds Currency for an assault committed on Doct. James Gray, which fact he acknowledges, but alleges that he had been some time before the commission of it, assaulted himself by the said Doct. Gray, who had moreover traduced and greatly injured him in his reputation - He refers the Board to a paper accompanying his Petition and containing the substance of the evidence given on the trial to shew that the provocations he had received were such as would justify (if any thing would) the assault he made upon Gray, and prays that on that consideration, and on account of the lowness of his circumstances the Board will remit or lessen the amount of the fine imposed on him - The aforesaid state of the evidence is given by a Gentleman of respectable Character who attended the trial and is certified by the Attorney General's deputy for that County to be correct and just - on an examination of which the Board are of opinion that the fine is too high for the offence, considering the circumstances of the Petitioner and the repeated provocations he had received, and they do therefore order that of the above fine of forty pounds, the sum of thirty seven pounds be and the same is accordingly remitted -

The Council adjourned till Monday morning

Monday 29th August 1791

The Council met

Present as on Saturday

The Council adjourned till Monday morning