

By a Petition from Anthony Berkenbine of Washington County an official Transcript accompanying it it appears that he has incurred five fines of six pounds current Money each for retailing spiritous liquors without licence. The Petitioner represents and the same is certified by the Court of the said County that on or about the latter end of February last, being then an inhabitant of Lancaster County in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania he went to Washington County with intent to settle, and did accordingly enter into an agreement with a certain Michael Wolfinger whereby he rented of him a House the Term to commence on the first of April ensuing. The Petitioner further represents that intending to keep an ordinary in said House and being informed by the said Wolfinger that the Court of said County would sit in the beginning of April, at which licences for keeping Taverns were to be obtained, and apprehending that it would not be in his power to remove up with his Family so soon, requested of Wolfinger to make application to Court for a licence for the House, concluding that licences were so granted to which Wolfinger agreed, and did accordingly obtain at last April Term obtain a licence in his own name. The Petitioner represents that some time about the latter end of April he removed up to said House with his Family, and having enquired of Wolfinger if he had procured a licence was answered in the affirmative. The Petitioner further represents that in consequence of that assurance he commenced the business of Tavern Keeper at said House, not knowing that the said licence was taken out in Wolfinger's name. The Board on consideration of all the circumstances of the case and from the recommendation of the Court in behalf of the said Petitioner do order that the said Anthony Berkenbine be discharged from the above fines on payment of costs.

James Price  
Henry Ridgely  
James Thomas

Monday January 11. 1796

The Honble James Thomas Esquire appeared in the Council Room.

Tuesday January the 12. 1796

The Council met. Present His Excellency the Governor and The Honble James Price, Henry Ridgely and James Thomas Esquires.

Ordered that the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to M. Valentine Brewer, the sum of six pounds fifteen shillings current Money for bringing from Frederick Town to the City of Annapolis six Casks of Powder pursuant to an order of the Council.