

State whereby the Governor is prevented from issuing a commission to the person having the majority
of Votes as the Constitution and Form of Government directs in case of a valid Return being made
And Whereas by an act of a Assembly passed at February Session fourteen hundred and seventy
seven the Governor for the time being with the advice and consent of the Council is empowered to judge
of and determine the validity of all Elections for Sheriffs agreeably to the directions of the Form of
Government to issue new Writs of Election. You are therefore hereby required and commanded to
summon two Justices of the Peace within the said County to attend at the City of Annapolis the
usual place of holding Elections for Anne Arundel County on Tuesday the seventh day of November
next and from day to day till the close of the tenth day of the same month as Judges for the
purpose of holding an Election for two persons for the purpose office of Sheriff for Anne Arundel
County and to hold conduct and return the said Election in the manner prescribed by the Constitution
and Form of Government. and you are hereby required to give ten days public Notice (excluding
the day of Notice and of the Election) of the time place manner of holding the said Election.
For which this shall be your warrant and authority. Given under my hand and the
Seal of the State of Maryland this twenty sixth day of October in the year of our Lord one
thousand seven hundred and Ninety seven.

Amicus Pinney

J. N. Stone

Thursday October the 26. 1797

The Council met. Present The Honble William Hitt, James Thomas and John Davidson.

At the request of Joseph Boone Summons issued to Theodore Middleton, Clement Hill,
junior, Francis Hall, John Waring junior, James Mowbray, Austin Allen, Doctor William
Beans, John Harris and John B. Heiby of Prince Georges County to testify on the hearing
before the Governor and Council on Monday the thirteenth instant of the complaint of Joseph
Boone that the Election for Sheriff of Prince Georges County was not made regular and
agreeably to the Constitution and Form of Government.

The Summons which was issued on the nineteenth instant to Charles L. Mott, was returned
by the Sheriff of Anne Arundel County summoned.

Friday October the 27. 1797

The Council met. Present His Excellency the Governor and The Honble William Hitt, James
Thomas, John Davidson, James Bece and John Johnson.

Commission issued to Edward Cox elected Sheriff for Talbot County.

Saturday October the 28. 1797

The Council met. Present The Honble William Hitt, James Thomas and James Bece

At the request of Joseph Boone Summons issued to Freeman Tyle, Isaac Nesmith, John
Osborn Spigg and Justinian Greenwell of Prince Georges County to testify on the hearing
before the Governor and Council on Monday the thirteenth instant of the complaint
Boone against the late Election of Sheriff of Prince Georges County.