

On Monday the ninth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and one the General Assembly of Maryland agreeably to the Constitution and Form of Government, provided to the choice of a Governor when the honorable John Francis Mercer was elected.

On the Tuesday following and tenth day of the same Month the General Assembly made choice of the following Gentlemen as Council to the Governor, to wit, Francis Digges, Allen Bowie Duckett, Beverly Ghiselin, Edward Hall and Davidson David.

Tuesday November the 10/1801

His Excellency John Francis Mercer qualified in the Senate Room in presence of the Members of both Houses of the Legislature by taking the several Oaths required by the Constitution and Form of Government, and the laws of this State and by subscribing a Declaration of his belief in the Christian Religion and also by taking the Oath to support the Constitution of the United States.

Wednesday November the 11/1801

The Honble Allen Bowie Duckett, Beverly Ghiselin, and Edward Hall, appeared in the Council Room and qualified before Allen Suryon, Esquire, of the Justice of the Peace for Anne Arundel County, by taking the several Oaths required by the Constitution and Form of Government, and laws of this State and the United States, and making and subscribing a Declaration of their belief in the Christian Religion: a Certificate thereof filed.

Ordered, that the Proceedings of the Council shall be regularly entered on a Journal each day, and that on the succeeding day, previous to any other act, the same shall be read over by the Clerk, and signed by the Governor or the Member of the Council presiding, before which any Member may move to reconsider any part thereof which may not have been carried into execution and the same shall be considered as subject to attestation by a subsequent vote of the Council.

John. F. Mercer

Thursday November 19/1801

His Excellency the Governor and the Honble Beverly Ghiselin and Edward Hall appeared in the Council Room