

30. November 1769.

Maryland, s^r.

Frederick Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. To all whom these Presents shall come Greeting. Know ye that We reposing special Trust and Confidence in the Capacity Care Prudence and Fidelity of John Morton Jordan of the City of Annapolis in Our Province of Maryland Esq. Have made, constituted, ordained Authorized and appointed And by these Presents do make constitute ordain, Authorize and Appoint him the said John Morton Jordan to be Our Chief Agent Escheator and Receiver General of all Our Rents Arrears of Rents Fines Forfeitures Tobacco or Money for Land Warrants Feigns Waifs, Strays and Deadlands of all Duties arising from or growing due upon Exportation of Tobacco or Tonnage of Ships and all other Monies Tobacco or other Effects in any manner or ways now due or hereafter to grow due whether by Protested Bills of Exchange or otherwise, to Us within Our said Province hereby granting to the said John Morton Jordan Esq. full Power and Authority to Sell and Dispose of all Lands Tenements and Hereditaments to Us now Cheated or Forfeited to such Person or Persons as shall agree and pay for them such reasonable Rates in Money as shall be agreed for with the Consent and Approbation of Our Lieutenant Governor or Board of Officers for the time being, Also to inspect into Order manage and Account for all and every other Branch and Branches of Our Revenues within Our said Province whether the same be or grow due by particular Contract Condition of Plantations Act, or Act of Assembly or by Virtue of Our Royalties Rights Privileges and Prerogatives within Our said Province And for the better and more effectual Execution of the said Powers and Authorities hereby Granted We do further Authorize him the said John Morton Jordan Esq. to give such Directions and Orders to the Naval Officers of Our said Province as Our Lieutenant Governor or Board of Officers and he the said John Morton Jordan Esq. shall think fit, And the said Naval Officers are hereby required to obey him accordingly Hereby ordering and requiring him the said John Morton Jordan Esq. to remit unto Us for Our proper Use by the first and safest Opportunity all such Monies Effects or Bills of Exchange as shall arise grow due or be received by or from Our said Naval Officers or any other Persons on all or any of the aforesaid Branches of Our Revenues and upon Receipt of any Money Bills of Exchange or other Effects sufficient Discharges and Acquittances to give and Sign to the Person or Persons concerned or owing such Money Effects and Bills of Exchange and generally to Act do Perform Fulfill and Accomplish according to the Instructions which have been or may be given him All and every other Act and Acts Thing and Things requisite and necessary for the due Execution Performance and justly discharging the several respective Offices Powers and Authorities hereby given or granted him or intended to be given and granted to him And We do hereby Ratify Confirm and Hold for good Effectual and Valid whatsoever the said John Morton Jordan Esq. shall Lawfully do or Cause to be done in the Premises Notwithstanding any Insufficiency or Defect in the Words Expressions Clauses or Sentences of this Our Commission and altho' every particular Matter Strictly requisite be not herein strictly expressed