

29th of April 1773.

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Robert Eden Esq^r Lieutenant General and Chief Governor in and over the Province of Maryland.

Robt Eden To John Ridout of the City of Annapolis Esq^r Greeting.

Having special Trust and Confidence in your Fidelity Integrity knowledge and Circumspection I do here nominate constitute and appoint you the said John Ridout to be Naval Officer of Annapolis within the Province aforesaid Hereby giving and granting unto you the said John Ridout full Power and Authority to act do perform and execute all and singular the Lawful Powers and Authorities and other Things whatsoever incident to the said Office of Naval Officer and to take and receive to your own proper use and benefit all such lawful Fees Perquisites and Advantages as to the said Office do in any wise appertain To have and to hold the same during Pleasure.

Given at the City of Annapolis under my Hand and Seal this 29th day of April in the Second year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable Henry Harford Esq^r Anno Domini 1773.

Signed by Order
W Scott Cl. Secy

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Robt Eden To George Plater of Saint Marys County Esq^r Greeting.

Having special Trust and Confidence in your Fidelity Integrity knowledge and Circumspection I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint you the said George Plater to be Naval Officer of Potomac within the Province aforesaid Hereby giving and granting unto you the said George Plater full Power and Authority to act do perform and execute all and singular the Lawful Powers and Authorities and other Things whatsoever incident to the said Office of Naval Officer and to take and receive to your own proper use and benefit all such lawful Fees Perquisites and Advantages as to the said Office do in any wise appertain To have and to hold the same during Pleasure.

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