

The Agent is never at a Loss to estimate, or Value, such Land, & as he
acknowledges his Receipt of the Caution Money on the Back of the Certifi-
cate, which must go thro' the hands of the Judges of the Land Office & Chan-
cellor there is no more room for Fraud here, than in the Case of special Warrants
or Warrants of Assistance, concerning which I have wrote very fully to Your
Ld^y already. I think Your Ld^y will be satisfied by what I have said
that it is scarcely possible for Your Ld^ys Revenue to be prejudiced by any
thing that can be transacted in the Land Office, unless the Chancellor as well
as the Surveyor & Agent are privy to it & for my own Part I have always
made it a Rule, tho' some Errors in old Patents shew my Predecessors did not
to examine every Patent that is offered to Me, before I sign it & see that the
Quit Rents thereby reserved are rightly calculated. As to the Agent both
the Judges of the Land Office as well as the Chancellor are a Check upon him
with respect to the Caution Money that is paid for every Tract of Land that
is granted, & it is I understand a constant Rule, for the Judges to review
that Advice, or Part of the Agents Accounts & to certify to Your Ld^y annually
that upon Examination they find it just & true. Having endeavoured to ex-
plain to Your Ld^y how Business is transacted in the Land Office & after
what Method, that part of Your Ld^ys Revenue (I mean the Selling of Vacant
Lands) is managed, which according to my Notion might be well executed
by any Person of Common Understanding that would properly attend to
it, I will take the Liberty to point out what in my Eye appears to be prin-
cipal Objections to the Scheme, that Mr Calvert proposes: In the first
Place were no Warrants for Land to be issued until the Lieu^t. Governour
& both Judges of the Land Office had signed them it would be absolutely