

To Lord Baltimore, — Annapolis<sup>to</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1760

My Ld,

Having been lately advised by Mr Calvert that Your Ldps  
had received the two Letters which I had the honour to address to  
Your Ldps the 27<sup>th</sup> of March & 2<sup>d</sup> of May last & that Your Ldps was  
pleased to approve of the Gentleman whom I took the Liberty in the  
former of those Letters to recommend to Your Ldps's favour; I am now  
to return Your Ldps's thanks for Your kind Compliance with my  
Request; being at the same time assured that in conferring such an  
honourable Mark of Favour on Mr Ridout Your Ldps has taken  
a Step that You will never have the least Reason to Repent. The  
Distemper with which Col: Goddorough had been so long afflicted  
having at length deprived us of him; I shall after suffering a few Days  
more to elapse (which I do out of Respect to the Memory of the Decea-  
sed) introduce Mr Ridout to the Council & have him qualified agree-  
able to Your Ldps's Intention. The Articles of Agreement into which  
Your Ldps was pleased to enter with the Proprietaries of Pennsylvania  
having been brought to me from Phila<sup>a</sup> by an Express the 19<sup>th</sup> of  
last month together with Your Ldps's Commission appointing myself  
& six other Gentlemen Commissioners on Your Ldps's Behalf to meet  
the Commissioners from Pens<sup>a</sup> & carry the Articles of Agreement into  
Execution, I immediately had Letters wrote to Col: Henry & the other  
Commissioners who live at a Distance from Annapolis to advise them  
of their being nominated by Your Ldps & to desire them to meet here  
in the ensuing Week (when the Assembly was to sit) to consult & agree  
on what Steps were to be taken; after what manner the several

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