

Attorney Gen^l. I submit the Affair entirely to Yourself & shall rest satisfi-
fied, as I hope, they both will, with Your Determination. I shall transmit
this by the way of New York, but will write to His Ldp & You, again
by a Ship that will sail in a few Days from this Province, if this comes
to hand, first & so kind, as to present my Duty to His Ldp & ever believe
that I am with the most sincere Regards Sir &c

To Lord Baltimore. Annapolis the 20th of Oct: 1760

My Ld

In the Letter which I had the honour to Address to Your Ldp the
14th of this Month I informed Your Ldp that we had a few Weeks before last
Colo^l W^m Goldsborough one of Your Ldp's Council in whose Stead I have since
had M^r Midout qualified as a Member of that Board agreeable to Your Ldp's
Pleasure. Having likewise in the Night of the 1st of this Month had the Mis-
fortune to lose Colo^l Lasher another worthy Member of the Council & Deputy Se-
cretary of this Province whose Office it was expedient & necessary to fill up im-
mediately in order that there might be no Stop or Delay to Business in the Se-
cretary's Office or Provincial Court; I took the Liberty upon what M^r Calvert
was pleased to tell me in his Letter dated the 20th of June concerning Your
Lordships kind Intentions to provide in due time for M^r Midout to issue a Com-
mission empowering him to act as Deputy Secretary, untill Your Ldp's Pleasure
or M^r Calvert's shall be signified to the contrary. As I have in former Letters ex-
press'd my Opinion of & regard for M^r Midout & Your Ldp hath been so kind
as to distinguish him with so honourable a Mark of Favour on my Recommen-
dation I will not trouble Your Ldp with any thing more at present on that
head but rest in hopes that Your Ldp will also approve of the Step which
I have now taken with regard to this Gentleman. Conceiving it also expedient
that another Commissioner should be forthwith appointed in the Stead of