

Williamson has with my Approbation appointed him to officiate here as  
curate during the time that he himself may continue to officiate in Prince  
George Parishes which will give the Young Gentleman an Opportunity if  
he has Merit of recommending himself to favour & indeed may be of Ser-  
vice to him, as he is very Young & will by Living here among his Supe-  
riours be more cautious & less apt to acquire ill Habits than he might be  
was he to be now placed in some other part of the province.

On Reading Mr Boardleys Answers to the Queries which as I intimated to  
in my Letter dated the 22<sup>nd</sup> of Dec<sup>r</sup> I had submitted to his Consideration  
(which with the Articles of Agreement are now before Mr Dulany) You  
will observe that he differs in Opinion from Mr Goldsborough with regard  
to the power of the Court & Sheriff of Worcester over those people who ha-  
ving been heretofore deemed Inhabitants of that County live on the North  
Side of the Line that was run in the Year 1751 from Fenwick Island, Mr  
Goldsborough being of Opinion that they are no longer subject to Maryland  
Laws or liable to pay Taxes in this province, while Mr Boardley thinks  
that altho His Ldp & the proprietors of Pennsylvania could make any  
Agreement they thought proper relative to the Soil or Quit Rents which  
heretofore they may have both claimed, yet that the People who have always  
been deemed & have looked on themselves as Inhabitants of either one Gov<sup>t</sup> or  
the other cannot by the bare Agreement of the Proprietors be deprived of the  
Benefit of the Laws by which they have been always governed: as You cannot  
but be sensible of the ill Consequences that may be expected from this Mat-  
ter's remaining a Doubt I must beg the favour of You to represent the same  
to His Ldp who will I hope take Advice thereon in England & send me  
particular Instructions for my Conduct; I could wish also that His Ldp would  
desire the proprietors of Penn<sup>a</sup> to write to their Gen<sup>l</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> likewise on this Subject, so  
that neither He & I nor the people on the Borders, or Civil Officers may have any Disputes  
here about the Extent of our respective Jurisdiction. Jan 4

P.S. Inclosed you receive a Bill of Exchange on Mr Groves for £100. 2. 6

wh<sup>ch</sup> is £6. 9. 6 less than I would have submitted could I have got a Bill for £125