

In Council July 4th 1789.

Sir,

We have received your letter asking our testimony respecting your conduct in the several employments you have held in this State. We find that you was strongly recommended by the Governor and Council in December 1784 to succeed (Mr. Vorse) as Commissioner to settle the Accounts between Maryland and the United States, and that the Board of Treasury immediately placed you in that Station. The important trust we have lately vested in you proves sufficiently our sense of your merit and capacity - and that opinion is further confirmed by the favorable manner in which our Senators and Delegates in the Congress of the United States speak of you in their letter of the 21st June last respecting your merit as an Officer. If our Testimony with regard to your private Character is of any importance, we have no difficulty in saying that as far as it has come within our observation, it has always been such as to command Esteem and Confidence. We are Sir

John White, Agent,

J. E. Howard

In Council July 16. 1789.

Sir,

70. You will on the application of Mr. Kelly, furnish him with the necessary information to the Clerk of the General Court for the issuing executions against the Collectors