

In Council Annapolis January 23. 1806

Sir

With the unanimous vote of the Executive you were this day appointed Chancellor of Maryland. It would add much to the pleasure we derive from making this communication to be informed by the return of our Express of your acceptance of the appointment. The Station is an important one and impetuous circumstances require it to be filled without loss of time and we therefore hope we shall be honoured with your immediate answer; and that it will also suit your convenience to reply to our letter of last Week notifying you of your Election to the office of Chief Judge of the sixth District.

We are fully persuaded, that you can in either situation, under important services to your native State, and we indulge the hope that your arrangements will enable you to accept the one, which under every consideration, you deem preferable.

The Honble Robert Smith

We have the honor to be
Robert Bowie

In Council Annapolis January 25. 1806

Sir

It is with pleasure we inform you of your appointment as Chancellor of Maryland. The Situation of our State requires that office to be filled without delay and in the want of your acceptance which we hope we may be allowed to anticipate, permit us to request your immediate attendance, that the Seal may be delivered to you on Monday next. The General Assembly are about to close their Session, and we wish to avail ourselves of the opportunity their separation affords of a direct conveyance of Commissions to the several Gentlemen appointed Judges under the new System.

The Honble William Hickey

We are with high consideration
Robert Bowie

In Council Annapolis January 25. 1806

Sir

We have the Honor to inform you, that you have been appointed Associate Judge of the fifth Judicial District of Maryland, and hope we may be permitted to anticipate your acceptance of that Station. Your Commission has not yet been sent out you may anticipate receiving it in a few days. Accept assurances of our
The Honble William Hickey

high Consideration & Respect
Robert Bowie