

Leonard Town, Sep^r 1st 1857

From
Depty Atty:
Gen^l:
Maddox of my last -
Thinking it my duty whenever I am about to execute
to the property of a defendant for the use of my Client, to inform
the Gov^{rn} him in respect to what he might obtain under the execution
concerning said sale - I am firmly convinced that if the property of Mr
the Sale Floyd (who is the only responsible security of A Millburn) is put
of property up to public sale, though the property is worth the ^{amount of the} State debt - that
of Floyd it will not sell for more than one hundred dollars - by which means
one of the the State will lose nearly the whole amount - this will arise
securities from the sympathy existing in the community of Mr Floyd -
of Whatever might have been and are my feelings upon the subject
A Millburn I am compelled to forego all and acquaint the Department as
collector of I would a private individual in respect to the satisfaction
State taxes of the execution - A Plaintiff (a private individual) could
St. Mary's have and takes advantage of the privilege of making the property
County sell to the best advantage for the security of the claim - as
to myself I care nought for the paltry Commission that
I might obtain, the amount increasing according to the
amount made - and am perfectly well satisfied to lose
all, if it is the wish of the department to let the sale proceed
to the injury of the State not making an attempt to secure
its interest. My first letter to you, you understood it
requesting you to give time not to let the property be
sacrificed to the injury of the defendant, presuming
the debt would be paid by the Sale, but such is not the case
as appears above -

You will please let me know the wishes of the Department,
and I remain yours &c

G. Fred Maddox
Depty Atty: Gen^l: for St. Mary's County

To His Excellency,
Wm. Louis Lowe
Governor of Maryland

State Department
Annapolis Sep 3rd 1857.

From the
Gov^{rn} in
reply to
the
former.
G. F. Maddox Esq
Depty: Atty: Gen^l: for
Saint Mary's County
Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 1st instant was
received to day, I beg leave to refer you to the act of 1845 Chap,
196.