

or them respectively, shall be subject to such fine & imprisonment as the
Lord & Prop^{ty} of this Province, or his heirs Lords & People of this Province
shall think fitt: or in his or their absence out of this Province, at his
and privy Council of this Province for the time being, or the major part of them, with the s^d Lieut or chief Justice
their Lieut or chief Govern^r, or his Deputy (being one of y^e s^d privy Council
to be alwayes one, & to have a negative voice) shall think fitt. And y^e oaths
& titles thereof intended by this Act is as followeth

The Oath of fidelity to the Lord Prop^{ty}.
I A. B. doo swear that I will be true & faithfull, so long as I shall
be a member of this Province, to the R^t hon^{ble} Cecilius Lord Barron of
Baltimore, Lord Prop^{ty} of this Province of Maryland & y^e Islands
thereunto belonging & to his heirs Lords & People of y^e same, & to his
Lieut or chief Govern^r here for y^e time being: & will not at any time
by words or actions, in publick or in private, wittingly or willingly
to the best of my understanding any way derogate from
derogate from; but will at all times, as occasion shall require, to the
utmost of my power defend & maintaine all such his s^d Lords & his
heirs just & lawfull right, title, interest, privilege, jurisdiction,
prerogative, propriety & dominion over & in y^e s^d Province & Islands
thereunto belonging, & over y^e people who are & shall be therein for the
time being, as are granted to his s^d Lord by y^e late King of England
in his s^d Lords Patent of y^e s^d Province, under y^e great seals of England
not any wayes understood to infringe or prejudice liberty of Conscience
in point of Religion. And I doo also swear that I will, with all
expedition, discover to his s^d Lordship, or to his Lieut or other chief Govern^r
of y^e s^d Province for y^e time being, and also use my best endeavour, to
prevent any plot, conspiracy or combination wch I shall know, or have just
cause to suspect, is or shall be intended ag^t y^e person of his s^d Lordship, or wch
shall tend any wayes to y^e disinheriting or deprivation of his s^d Lordship or his
heirs their right, title, jurisdiction & dominion afores^d, or any part thereof.
And I doo swear that I will not, either by my selfe, or by any other
person or persons directly or indirectly take, accept, receive, purchase or possess
any Lands, tenements or hereditaments wthin y^e s^d Province of Maryland, or
y^e Islands thereunto belonging from any Indian or Indians, to any other use
or use, but to y^e use of his s^d Lordship & his heirs Lords & People of this
Province, or knowingly from any other person or persons not deriving a legal
title thereunto by, from or under some grant from his Lordship or his heirs
Lords & People of this Province legally passed, or to be passed under his
or their great seals of y^e s^d Province for y^e time being. So help me God.

Apr. 1650.

An act concerning Accountants to the Lord Prop^{ty}.
Be it enacted by y^e Lord Prop^{ty} of this Province, by & with y^e assent
approbation of y^e upper & lower houses of this Assembly, that all