

(41) Maryland

At a Session of Assembly begun and held at
the City of Annapolis in the County of Anne Arundee
for the Province of Maryland on Tuesday the fifth day
of October in the Tenth year of the Dominion of the
Right Honble Charles as above Lord and Proprietor
of the Province of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron
of Baltimore & Annoq. Dom 1725.

An Act for ascertaining the Form of the Oaths
of Judges or Justice

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Whereas the Oath of Judge or Justice appointed to be taken
by the Statute of the eighth of Edward the Third doth not in
many particulars provide for the Constitution of this Province,
nor suit the Circumstances of any other Proprietary Government
and for that the Oath of Judge or Justice proper to be taken in this
Province is not ascertained by any Act of our own Be it
therefore enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord
Proprietary by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordships
Governour and the Upper and Lower houses of Assembly and the
Authority of the same That at some convenient time after the
end of this present Session of Assembly and before the last day
of March next the following Oath shall be taken as the proper
Oath of office by all Judicial Magistrates within this Province
changing only what is to be changed according to the different
Stations of such Magistrates Viz: You shall swear that as a
Justice of the Provincial Court of Maryland in all Articles of
his Lordships's Commission to you directed you shall do equal
Law and Right to all the Kings Subjects Rich and Poor according
to the Lawes Statutes and reasonable Customs of England agreeable
to the Usage and Constitution of this Province and to the Acts
of Assembly of the same Province and not delay any person of
common Right for the Letters of the King the Lord Proprietor, or
of any other whatsover nor for any other Cause, and in Case any
Letters shall come to you contrary to Law that you do nothing
by them but cause them to be returned on Record and Certifie the
King the Lord Proprietor or the Governour for the time being of
them and proceed to execute the Law notwithstanding the said
Letters That you shall hold your Courts according to the Acts of
Assembly and the directions in your Commission That you shall

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