

We Your Lordships Most humble True faithfull and Obedient People -  
 the Burgeses and Delegates in your Lower house of Assembly being constrained  
 by necessity of Our fidelity and Conscience, in Vindication of the Honour of  
 God and the Honour and welfare of your Lordship and this Province do Com-  
 plain and shew that the said Major Thomas Truman late Commander in  
 Chief upon an Expedition against the Indians at the Susquehannah Forts.  
 hath by many and sundry ways and means, Committed Divers and sundry  
 enormous Crimes and Offences, To the Dishonour of Almighty God against  
 the Law of Nations contrary to your Lordships Commission and Instructions and  
 to the great endangering of your Lordships Peace and the good and Safety of your  
 Lordships Province according to the Articles hereafter Mentioned that is to say

We find upon reading your Lordships Commission and Instructions  
 and the Affidavits which We herewith send to your Lordship and Upper house  
 of Assembly and which We humbly submit to your Lordships Examination  
 & serious Consideration

The first that the said Major Truman hath broken his Commission  
 and Instructions this, That the said Major Thomas Truman having received  
 by Indians sent out by the Susquehannahs as Ambassadors to treat with  
 him on the Sunday after the arrival of the Maryland forces, and received their  
 Oath and Word by which we find they were received as friends and in-  
 dultly with us, and had liberty of going back to the Fort and were assured that  
 no intention of force was to be used against them, and that no Damage  
 should be done to them their Wives or Children and that they did that Night go into  
 the Forts and the next Morning did return again with the like Number only  
 one Indian changed and supposed to come on purpose to treat and not in any  
 hostile manner, yet the said Major Thomas Truman without calling any Council  
 of War of your Lordships Officers under his Command as he ought to have done  
 did in a Barbarous and Cruel Manner cause five of the said Indians to be  
 killed and murdered contrary to the Law of God and Nations and contrary to  
 your Lordships Commission and Instructions -

Secondly that he the said Major Thomas Truman ought according to  
 your Lordships Instructions to have acquainted your Lordship before he  
 caused the said Indians to be executed for your Lordships Advice and Directions  
 in that Case which we do not find he did -

Lastly that he hath broken your Lordships Instructions in this  
 also that that if the Virginia Officers did advise and consent to the killing of  
 the said Indians that he did not in an open Council of War (as the same to  
 be lawfully ordered in writing by his Clerk or Secretary and such the Virgin-  
 ians consent and advice for the doing thereof to be signed under their hands to be  
 kept for Justification of himself and the People of this Province -

Therefore for that by the said Articles it appears that the said  
 Major Thomas Truman hath broken his Commission and Instructions