

Chancery and Admiralty Courts.

The Royal Instructions are further recommended that we shall not prosecute for impounding any ships that are not inconveniently necessary for the peace and welfare of the Province, and therefore we desire our justice of the peace ready Conference of your Honor and Her Majesty's Secretary Council how to this we shall be glad to have. By what means we hope this Justice may be made both short and convenient. We shall by a due regard to Her Majesty's Order relating to S^r. Thos. Lawrence's claims and shall examine his journals and proceedings ex former Assemblys in reference thereto and give your Honor a true State of that Case.

Signed & Order H^r D^r R^r Dallam Esq

29th October 1753. Sent up to the Honble Council by Coll Hos-
tiny May^r Sprigg M^r Richd^r Jones M^r Cheddyng M^r Colombe Wright M^r
Loyd M^r Prentiss Fristy and Cap^r Ennalls who returned and
say they delivered the same.

The Honble Coll^r Addison from the Council enters the House and delivers
in Speaker his following Message viz:

By the President and Council in Assembly 28th October 1753 —
Gent^r In Answer to your Message by Mr^r Taylor and Mr^r Ennalls we can assure
you that the Address you say you made to Her Majesty in the year 1709
in due answer to S^r Thos. Lawrence's Complaint before Committed to our
care was transmitted to the Lords Com^r of Trade and Plantations but
whether the then Assembly recommended it to our care or not or that it
ever was presented to her Majesty (seeing we have no Agent in Great
Britain to transact affairs on behalf of the Province) we cannot say.

Signed & Order Bladell C^r Coun^r.

We doe declare and resolve her Majesty be Addressed in relation to S^r. Thos.
Lawrence an Agent inclosed and the following Message be sent to
the Council viz. By the House of Delegates 29th October 1753 —

We have Considered your Message by Coll Addison and are sorry to find
so little regard had to the Address of this House to her Majesty we have
Resolved to Address her Majesty now in relation to S^r Thomas Lawrence
and for the better security of having such Address presented have Resolved of
his employing an Agent and desire your Honor will not only joyne with us
in that Resolution recommended to us some person you think Capable of
serving the Country therein and to that end pray a Conference thereon
with our Members under noted at such time and place as your Honor shall
appoint.

Signed & Order H^r D^r R^r Dallam & A^r D^r