

during the time the said Edward Lloyd was president and Commander in Chief of this Province they find by the testimony of several Members of that House that on his allegations he had not then received nor had any Certainty of receiving of any benefit of his being president he was allowed the Allowance and Stipend of a Councillor notwithstanding which he then received part and since the full one moiety of the 9th ph^o and of sundry of the Perquisites sufficient to ensure his Charge of attendance, the said Edward Lloyd saith that he is much surpris'd to find that any Gent. should misconceive or twist his words, for that he denyeth that he ever made such allegations which would have been flatly opposite to the Matter of Fact known not only to all Her Matys Hon^{ble} Councill as well as the several officers of the revenue and as she presumes great part of the Assembly who had made him allowances for severall perquisites as they became due which may appear by the Journalls, but acknowledges he has often declared that his reward for the services he performed in that Station was a thing precarious as not knowing how long the same might continue or how soon be determined by her Matys speedy dispatching a Governour in Chief into this Province, that as to his Claiming and taking the allowances of a Councillor, he is advised and humbly conceives it was lawful for him so to doe, and that by virtue of his being a Councillor and the eldest of the said Council and not as Lt. Governour or Commander in Chief Comissioned in this Province he took upon him to preside and execute the several powers and authorities in Her Matys Comission and Instructions on which occasion her Matys by her Royall instructions was please to appoint and direct the moiety of all perquisites and Emoluments whatsoever to be paid him for his better support in that Station and that it may the more evidently appear that the said Edward Lloyd was always understood by the R^{ts} Hon^{ble} the Secretary of State and Lords of trade and Plantations even whilst he exercised the said powers to be one of her Matys Councill the Subscription of all their letters are, to the Hon^{ble} Edward Lloyd Esq^r President of her Matys Council in her Majesty's Province of Maryland, In America or to the Commander in Chief of the said Province for the time being so that the said President and Commander in Chief plainly thereby appear to be different persons.

And the said Edward Lloyd further observed that all the allowances made him as a Councillor during the time aforesaid were and are sanctioned by sundry acts of Assembly made by the Authority of her late Maty and powers under her great Seal of Great Britain which he hopes this general Assembly will not question.

Edw Lloyd

Thereupon the same is referred to be considered to Morrow Morning