

In the matter complained of as to the refusing to send Evidence to the Grand Jury when required  
and that the same Magistrates together with Mr. Perry Benson and William Thomas were  
acting Magistrates at the time of taking Recognizances for payment of several Officers fees  
complained of - All which we submit to the Consideration of the House -  
May 20<sup>th</sup> 1738.

R. King  
Walter Dutton

The House adjourns until 3 of the Clock in the afternoon  
Post Meridies - The House not according to Adjournment

Mr. Wootton delivers Mr. Speaker the following Report

By the Committee appointed to enquire into the Facts contained in the Petition of  
Benjamin Howard of Annerundell County May 20<sup>th</sup> 1738. -

Your Committee upon enquiry into the said Facts, find that the Right Honble  
Charles Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Province of Maryland &c; by his Letters -  
Patent under the Great Seal of this Province bearing date the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of Febr'y in the year of Our  
Lord One thousand six hundred eighty and eight - did grant unto Leonard Wayman of  
Annerundell County in Fee a Tract of Land called Owenwood Thicket situated in  
Annerundell County in the Fork of Patuxent River containing two hundred acres  
under the yearly rent of eight Shillings Stere and the said Tract of Land after the death  
of the said Leonard Wayman descended to Edmund Wayman eldest son and Heir of the  
said Leonard as we are informed by the Affirmation of Richard Snowden of  
Annerundell County, and the said Edmund so thereof seized being, did by his Deed of  
Bargain and Sale in due Form of Law executed and enrolled bearing date the tenth  
Day of March One thousand seven hundred thirty and seven convey the same unto  
Thomas Rutland of Annerundell County in Fee, and the said Thomas Rutland so  
thereof seized being, afterwards by his Deed bearing date the fourth day of May One  
thousand seven hundred thirty and eight duly executed and enrolled did convey the  
same to Benjamin Howard the Petitioner and to his Heir and Assigns for ever, and  
Your Committee further find that the Right Honble the Lord Prop'y that now is, by his  
Letters Patent bearing date the tenth Day of June Seventeen hundred thirty and Four  
did grant unto John Fowler in Fee a Tract of Land called Fowler's Range situated in  
Annerundell <sup>County</sup> in the Fork of Patuxent River <sup>at the rent of four shillings per hundred acres, twenty eight acres</sup> ~~and~~ adjoining to the said Tract of Land  
called Owenwood Thicket, containing One hundred thirty and Three acres of  
which and also two acres of Land part of a Tract of Land called Waymans Marsh  
adjoining to the said Tract called Owenwood Thicket, the said John Fowler & Mary  
his wife by their Deed of Bargain and Sale in due form of Law executed and enrolled  
bearing date the fourth Day of May in the year of Our Lord Seventeen hundred thirty  
and eight did convey unto the petitioner Benjamin Howard in Fee by the names of  
Howard's Addition

Your Committee further find by the Affirmation of the said Richard  
Snowden of Annerundell County that the said Tract of Land called Owenwood Thicket  
containing two hundred acres and also thirty acres of Land now called Howard's Addition  
being part of the other Tract above mentioned called Fowler's Range are of more Value by  
two hundred thirty pounds Stere than the Tract of Land called Robert's Hook the said  
Tracts of Land called Owenwood Thicket and Howard's Addition being level, good and  
well timbered