

Construction, as are used by the Judges in Construing Statutes in *England*, which happy Rules have by his Majesty and his Royal Ancestors, and also by his Lordship and his Noble Ancestors, or some of them, been hitherto approved, by leaving the Commissions of Judicature to include Directions of that Nature to the several Judicial Magistrates, unless those Words have at any Time been casually or carelessly Omitted by the Officers in this Province that drew such Commissions, that therefore, whoever shall advise his Lordship or his Successors, to Govern by any other Rules of Government, are Evil Councillors, Ill Wishers to his Lordship, and to our present happy Constitution, and Intend thereby to Infringe our *English* Liberties, and to Frustrate in great measure the Intent of the Crown by the Original Grant of this Province to the Lord Proprietary.

The House Approved and Agreed to the above *Resolves*, made in the Year 1725, and *Ordered*, that they be Entered in the Journal this Session, as the *Resolves* of this House, except where Alterations are made in them by express Acts of Assembly; and whereas it is contain'd in the said *Resolves*, that the Clerk of this House shall Sign all Proceedings, as Clerk of the House of Delegates, and in no other manner; upon which some Disputes have formerly arisen between the Two Houses of Assembly, for Prevention of any Disputes which may retard the Dispatch of Publick Business, it is now *Resolved*, that all Proceedings shall be Signed by the said Clerk, as Clerk of the Lower House, always saving to the Members of this House, and the People they Represent, and their Posterity, all their Rights and Privileges whatsoever, and Protesting that those Rights and Priveleges shall not nor ought to be Hurt, Prejudiced or Lessened by the Clerk of this House his Signing the Proceedings thereof as Clerk of the Lower House.

The House Agree to the Rules Observed last Session of Assembly.

Doctor *Carroll*, Mr. *Stoughton*, and Mr. *Denton*, Ordered to prepare an Address to the Governor on his Speech.

*Daniel Dulany*, Esq; and Capt. *Robert Gordon*, the return'd Members for the City of *Annapolis*, appeared in the House.

Mr. *Denton*, and Mr. *Gassaway*, Ordered to go to the Upper House and see them Qualified.

They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker, they saw them Qualified by taking the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, and by Signing the Oaths, and by Repeating and Signing the Test.

The Gentlemen took their Places in the House.

It being moved by a Member, that on Perusal of the last Journal of this House, it appears, the Clerk at the Beginning of the Journal has