

Persons having occasion to Travel, and for Carriages, Cattle and Goods of any sort, and that we, by our Commission under our Great Seal of our said Province, have Authorized and Impowered our Trusty and Well-beloved *Benjamin Tasker*, Esq; our Agent and Receiver-General, to Appoint and License Ferries to be kept in proper and convenient Places, for the easy and convenient Passages of all Persons having occasion to Travel, and for the publick Good and Utility of our said Province; And whereas a Ferry over \_\_\_\_\_ River from the Old Ferry-Point to *Annapolis*, Backwards and Forwards, where a Ferry hath been usually kept, is very Convenient for the Purposes aforesaid, KNOW YE THEREFORE, That our said Agent and Receiver-General, by Virtue of the Powers and Authorities to him by our said Commission given, Hath Nominated, Licensed, and Appointed, and by these Presents doth Nominate, License and Appoint

to be Ferry Men and keep Ferry over the said River: And we strictly prohibit and forbid any other Person or Persons whatsoever, without the License and Consent of the said \_\_\_\_\_ first had and obtained, to keep any Ferry over the said Place or to carry or transport Passengers or Travellers on any pretence whatsoever, to the Hurt, Hindrance, or Prejudice of the said \_\_\_\_\_ and we do hereby strictly Charge and Enjoin the said \_\_\_\_\_ to keep a good and substantial Boat for the Carriage and Passage of Travellers, and sufficient and able Boats to carry Coaches, Carts or Waggon, and to give constant and due Attendance, so as none shall be retarded or delayed for want of a Passage, Wind and Weather permitting, and we hereby declare, that if the said \_\_\_\_\_ shall neglect to Perform what they are hereby Enjoin'd and Required to do, that such Neglect shall be a Forfeiture of this our License, and that the same shall actually Cease and Determine. And for the better Encouragement and Support of the said \_\_\_\_\_ we do hereby Impower the said \_\_\_\_\_ to Ask and

Demand, for the Passage of every Traveller and his or her Horse or Mare *Twelve Pence* Current Money of this our Province; for the Passage of every Person having no Horse or Mare, *Six Pence* like Money; for the Passage of any Coach, Chaise, Waggon or Cart, *Two Shillings and Six Pence* like Money; for the Passage of every Horse or Draught Beast drawing the same, *Six Pence* like Money; for the Passage of every Steer or Cow, *Six Pence* each like Money; for the Passage of any Sheep or Hogs, *Two Pence* each like Money: Hereby strictly forbidding the same

to Extort any greater Rewards of Travellers, or others, on pain of Forfeiting this our License, and being subject to such other Penalties as may be agreeable to Law. *Provided always*, that neither our Self, our Governor for the Time being, any of our Council of State, our Chancellor,