

ity to you our said Lieutennant William Stone to nominat and appoint at any tyme within twelve moneths after the date hereof any such person or persons as you shall thinke fitt to be of our Councell of State there, and to place them in the said Councell according to their severall respectiue quallities, every of whom soe to be nominated, and appointed by you our said Lieutennant as aforesaid, Wee doe hereby authorize and appoint to be of our said Councell of State there to all intents and purposes, and to haue the like powers and priuiledges as are belonging to those of our Councell of State in the said province, and soe to continue vntill Wee or our heires have notice from thence who shalbe soe nominated by our said Lieutennant as aforesaid for that purpose, And that Wee or our said heires shall thinke fitt, either to confirme or discharge them, or any of them respectiue by any warrant or writing vnder our, or our said heires hand, and Seale at Armes in or from being of our or their Councell there, and noe longer Provided that you our said Lieutennant William Stone doe not nominat or appoint as aforesaid aboue two persons to be of our said Councell of State there, and that Every such person as you shall soe nominat and appoint before he be admitted of our Councell there, doe respectiue take in open Court within our said Province the same oath of a Councillor of State in Maryland and in the same manner as wee formerly appointed it to be taken by the Rest of our Councell of State there, Which oath was annexed to a Commission for the Constitution of our Councell, of State in the said Province bearing date the twelfth August in the Seunteenth yeare of our dominion over the said Province Annoq. domini one thowsand Six hundred fforty Eight. And Wee doe hereby also authorize you our said Lieutennant William Stone, till Wee or our heires shall signify our or their pleasure to the Contrary, to Grant Pardons from tyme to tyme in our Name vnder our Greate Seale of our said Province to all persons whatsoever (excepting all and every of the persons who are excepted or intended to be excepted from Pardon in our declaration sent thither the last yeare bearing date the Six and twentieth August in the Eighteenth yeare of our dominion over the said Province Annoq. dñi one thowsand Six hundred fforty Nyne, both for their persons and Estates, in whole or in part for all Crymes and Misdemeanors whatsoever Committed, or to be Committed by them, or any of them respectiue: Provided that all persons respectiue soe to be pardoned as aforesaid doe take the Oath of fidellity to vs and our heires (a Copy whereof is herevnto annexed) before the Passing of any such Pardon to them, or any of them respectiue to be administred by our Secretary there for the tyme being, which said Oath Wee are also willing shall in the

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