

land according to the Laws from time to time in force of and in the said Province and in default thereof according to his and their best discretion as fully and absolutely as we our self might do if we were personally present to Give sentence or judgment of or in or upon the same and to award execution upon every such Sentence or Iudgment all & every which powers and Authorities above mentioned we do hereby grant unto our said Lieutenant William Stone and our said Council till we or our heirs shall signify our or their pleasure to the Contrary and no Longer and lastly whereas our said Lieutenant may happen to die or upon some urgent Occasion to be absent from time to time out of our said Province of Maryland before we can have notice to depute another in his place we do therefore Grant unto him our said Lieutenant full power and Authority from time to time in such Cases to Nominate elect and appoint some one of our Council there or in default thereof some other able Person inhabiting and Residing within our said Province of Maryland as he in his discretion shall make Choice of & think fit to be our Lieutenant General Chancellor Keeper of our Great Seal there Admiral Chief Justice Magistrate and Commander as well by Sea as by Land of our said province of Maryland and of the Islands to the same belonging during such absence of him our said Lieu^t out of the said Province or until we or our heirs signify our Pleasure to the Contrary in as large and as ample manner as we have by these presents authorised him our said Lieutenant to Govern for the present and in case our said Lieutenant shall happen to die or be absent out of our said Province of Maryland and shall fail to make Choice of Nominate and Appoint some Person to be our Lieu^t General Chancellor Keeper of our Great Seal Admiral Chief Captain Magistrate and Commander of our said Province of Maryland as well by Sea as by Land we do hereby Grant unto our Councillors there for the time being or the Greater part of them full Power & Authority from time to time in every such Case to Nominate elect and appoint such an able Person which shall then be of our Council there and Inhabiting and residing within our said Province of Maryland as they or the Greater part of them shall make choice of and think fit to be our Lieu^t General Chancellor Admiral chief Governor Captain Magistrate & Commander as well by Sea as by Land of our said Province of Maryland and of the Islands to the same belonging which Person so to be chosen and Appointed in any of the Cases aforesaid either by the Nominating and election of him the said William Stone our present Lieutenant or of our Council as af^d we do hereby declare shall be our Lieutenant General Chancellor Keeper of our Great Seal Admiral Chief Governor Cap^t and Commander of the said

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