

But because this advancement of the King's revenue in Virginia cannot bee effected, unless the Lord Baltimore do repaire and reside some time there, which he cannot with his safety well do, except hee bee authorised and enabled by having the government of that country, whereunto, though M<sup>r</sup> Secretary perceives the Lord Baltimore hath no ambition or affection, yet for the advancement and perfourmance of this service hee doth verily thinke, that upon his Maj<sup>ties</sup> command the Lord Baltimore would accept of the government, and two thousand pounds yearely for the support thereof, payable out of that improvement of Rent, and for that purpose would so accommodate his private occasions heere, as hee mought bee ready to transport himself thither, with as much speede as his Maj<sup>tie</sup> and this service required. And that if his Maj<sup>tie</sup> were pleased to speake with the Lord Baltimore, hee would upon signification of his pleasure, make his present repayre from the Country, to give him perticular and perfect satisfaction, of the meanes and manner, to raise this increase of Revenue.

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Petition of Lord Baltimore to the King.

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To the Kings most Excellent Majestie

The humble Petition of Cecil Lord Baltimore.

Shewing:

That whereas your Majesty was graciously pleased in the 8<sup>th</sup> year of your Raigne to grant unto your Petitioner and his heires under the great Seale of England, a tract of land neare adjoining to Virginia, which in honor of our most gracious Queene, you were pleased in the said Charter to call by the name of the Province of Maryland, and therein alsoe to grant unto your said Petitioner, severall priviledges and immunities together with the Jurisdiction and Government of the said Province for his better encouragement to proceed in the planting thereof; having by express words therein the soveraigne dominion and the Allegiance due unto your Maj<sup>tie</sup> your heires and successors.

And whereas your Subject is informed that upon a representation and petition lately exhibited to your Maj<sup>tie</sup> for the renewing of a Virginia company, you have been pleased to grant their request therein; and although your Maj<sup>tie</sup> out of your gracious favour and care of your Petitioner, hath as he is given to understand, been pleased to signify your pleasure att the Councill Boord, that you will not have your Petitioner's Interest in the soyle and land of the said Province of Maryland, any way impeached by the said intended Grant of the new Corporation, yet that your Maj<sup>tie</sup> doth intend thereby to