

Lib. R. R. R. Secrys of this Province to conferr on him the next Clks: place that fell within this Province, They accordingly did upon the  
 p. 292 death of M<sup>r</sup> Darcey late Clk of the said County place him the said Butler in the said office of Clk of Calvert County Court. That his L<sup>spp</sup> the R<sup>t</sup> hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lord Prop<sup>ry</sup> not knowing of any such provision made for him the s<sup>d</sup> Butler, hath since sent him in a Commission for the Clks place of Charles County

That although the said Butler cannot but with all humility heartily acknowledge his L<sup>spps</sup> Grace and favour towards him and being soe mindfull and carefull of him, yett in regard that he haveing provided and suited himself to Officiate in the said County of Calvert, haveing made some begining and fitted himself for a progress therein He humbly prayes that he may be continued in the s<sup>d</sup> Office in Calvert County Court, and that his L<sup>sps</sup>: Com<sup>on</sup> for Charles County as to him may be suspended, and conferred upon some other, especially considering that his L<sup>spp</sup> was altogether unknowing and unadvised of his the said Butlers Settlement aforesaid, as by his L<sup>dsps</sup> Letter produced and read may appeare (viz)

L<sup>d</sup> Balt. Lett<sup>r</sup> to Cec: Butler conc: Clks. place.

London Aug<sup>t</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 1685

Cis Butler

I recd: very lately a Letter from you, wherein you informe me of your being at Coll Darnalls house, where you were civilly treated; but that you had not obtained a Com<sup>on</sup> for any Clks place, nor had any prospect of haveing One, which I was troubled to understand, therefore that you may loose noe more of your time, I will now write to my Secry: to settle you Clk of the Court in Charles County, which I suppose may be of some advantage to you; and when I returne to Maryland, I will take such further care of y<sup>u</sup> as shall fully satisfie you, that I have much kindness for you, being sensible you will soe behave your self as that y<sup>u</sup> will at all times deserve it from

For M<sup>r</sup> Cecil Butler at  
 Pottuxent in

Y<sup>r</sup> affec<sup>t</sup> friend

C: Baltmore

Maryl<sup>d</sup>

p. 293 As to all which the hon<sup>ble</sup> the Secrys pray the advice of this board whither they may with safety sett aside a positive Com<sup>on</sup> from his L<sup>sp</sup> to the s<sup>d</sup> Butler for the Clks place of Charles County and contrarily thereunto continue him in Calvert County as he desires.

Whereupon It was the opinion of the Majo<sup>r</sup> part that his L<sup>spp</sup> was not knowing of the provision before made for the