

NATHANIEL WICKHAM

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To his Excellency Horatio Sharp Esq.^r Governor of Maryland and
To The Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly

The petition of Nath.^l Wickham Sen.^r Humbly sheweth

That your petitioner has Been for five years and Eight months a Languishing prisoner in The Goal of ffredrick County for Debt for divers Sums of Money and Tobacco which said Debts by Reason of divers Losses and misfortunes he was before his Confinement unable to pay and his Still Confinement must Apparently Render Him Less able yet notwithstanding your petitioner has by the Dictates of his Conscience made all the Overtures to Satisfy his Credetors that was in his power to Comply with Even to make over all his Estate Both Real & personall to Them which They have Rejected and still Do Reject your petitioner has Bin Gilty of no fradulent or Decetfull practices in order to Cheat or Defraud his Credetors and Humbly prays your Excellency and Honours will take your petitioners melen-coly Situation into your Serious and Charitable Consideration and Grant him Releaf and your petitioner shall Ever pray

Frederick County the 20:th Day of June 1761

We the Subscribers of Said County do Certify that the above petitioner Nath.^l Wickham is and hath been a prisoner for Debt the time above mention^d in the Goal of this County & therefore Recom-mend him to your Excellency & Honors as an Object of Charity

Tho:^s Beatty
Cha:^s Jones
David Lynn
Tho^s Norris
Pet:^r Bainbridge
Mos: Chapline
Tho:^s Prather

Frederick County ss.^t I hereby Certify that Thomas Beatty Charles Jones David Lynn Thomas Norris Peter Bainbridge Moses Chap-line and Thomas Prather Gentlemen the within subscribers were at the time of subscribing and still are of his Lordships the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary Justices of the Peace for said County

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Affixed the Public Seal of the County Aforesaid this 7th day of March Anno Dom 1762



John Darnall Clerk

[Endorsed on back]

Nath.ⁿ Wickham
Petition