

APPENDIX I

ORDER OF HIS MAJESTY'S COUNCIL FOR ROBERT
EDEN TO QUALIFY AS GOVERNOR OF
MARYLAND, MARCH 5, 1773

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At the Court at S.^t James's
the 5.th Day of March 1773.

Present

The Kings most Excellent Majesty

Lord President	Earl of Sandwich
Duke of Queensberry	Earl of Rochford
Earl of Suffolk	Earl of Dartmouth
Earl of Denbigh	Viscount Falmouth

Whereas there was this Day read at the Board, a Report from the Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Council for Plantation Affairs dated the 2.nd of this Instant in the Words following—Viz.^t

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“Your Majesty having been pleased by Your Order in Council of the 15.th of January last to referr unto this Committee, the Representation of the Reverend Doctor John Moore, Dean of Canterbury, and Hugh Hamersley and Peter Prevost Esquires, Guardians appointed by the High Court of Chancery of the Estate and Person of Henry Harford Esquire, Lord proprietary of the Province of Maryland, an Infant under the age of Twenty one Years, for and in behalf of the said Infant, Setting forth, That Frederick late Baron of Baltimore in the Kingdom of Ireland, late Lord proprietary of the Province of Maryland, did by his Commission or Instrument of Appointment under his Hand and Seal at Arms, bearing Date the 1.st of August 1768, nominate and appoint his Brother in Law Robert Eden Esquire Lieutenant General and Chief Governor of the said Province of Maryland with such and the like powers and Authorities as have been heretofore usually granted to the Lieutenant Governors of the said province, which Commission was duly approved by Your Majesty, pursuant to the Statute of the 7.th and 8.th of King William the Third; and the said Robert Eden having thereupon Qualified himself for the said Trust, in such manner as the Law requires, entered upon, and hath ever since exercised the Government of the said Province; That on the 4.th of September 1771 the said Frederick late Lord Baltimore departed this Life at Naples, having duly made and Published his last Will and Testament in Writing, wherein he gave devised and