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Signed Sealed & Delivered	George Plater	[Seale]
in the p'sence of	William Dent	[Seale]
Hen: Iowles	Jacob Moreland	[Seale]
Tho: Tench		

Maryland Ss

Francis Nicholson Esq^r Cap^t gen^l and Gov^r in Chiefe in and Over his Matys Province of Maryland And territories thereto belonging and Vice Admirall of the Same To George Plater Esq^r Greeting

Haveing Speciall trust and Confidence in your fidelity Integrity Knowledge and Circumspection I do hereby Nominate appoint and Constitute you the s^d George Plater to be Nav^l Officer of the Porte of Putuxent within this his Matyes Province of Maryland hereby giveing and granting unto you the s^d George Plater full power And Authority to Act do pforme & Execute All and Singular the Lawfull Powers and Authorities and other things w^tsoever incident to the s^d Office of Nav^l Officer And to take and receive to your Own proper use & benefitt all such Lawfull ffees pquisites and Advantages as to the s^d Office do in any wise Appurteine To have & to hould the Same dureing pleasure Given Att the Town and Port of Annapolis under my hand and Seale this the 22th day of October in the 10th year of the reigne of our Sov^reigne L^d King William the 3^d of England &c. Annoq Dni 1698

ffr: Nicholson

Recēd from M^r Rich^d Beard Arms belonging to the Country as follows Nine fusees Nine Slung ditto three worms one long bullett Mould Nine Cartouch Boxes, Nine belts for Ditto five bright hatchetts three black Ditto I say recēd the Same for the use of Prince Georges County this 27th 7^{ber} 1698

p me John Addison

[Petition of Justices.]

Whereas there have of late been many Scandalous & Defamatory Rumors and Storeys Stirred up in this Province but more particularly in S^t Marys County tending to the disquiett and trouble of this his Matys happy Governm^t And with which falce Reportes its much doubted many of his Matys Good and peaceable Subjects have been much Amused and Abused by false Notions and Apprehensions which if not Speedily removed may tend to the great Damage and