

& nine pence p^h & fourteen pence p^t Tonn the sum of U. H. J. one hundred pounds Sterl yearly. And we do Hereby Revoke Annull & make void all former & other Commissions Powers & Authoritys touching the Premises by us or Our Authoritys to any other Person or Persons heretofore Granted; Ratifying and Confirming all whatsoever has been lawfully done by the said Charles Carrol by Virtue of my late Lord Benedicts Letter to him as far as in us lyes as also what after his Death he hath lawfully done by Virtue of our Letter to him. And this our Commission and the Powers thereby Granted to continue in force during our Pleasure & no longer In Witness whereof we have hereunto Sett our Hands & Greater Seal of our said Province Dated at London this 24th day of March in the Year of our Lord 1715

Baltimore { greater }
 Guilford { Seal }

Upon reading whereof his Excellency is pleased to say That, that Commission being Granted to any other Person but himself, especially to a Papist is such a lessening of his Power & Dishonour to his Character that He has desired to be recalled unless He can be Restored to the full Authority he held under the Crown

And that by the said Commission should It be executed by M^r Carrol or his Deputys, The several Acts of Parliament following Viz The Act made in the 15th year of the Reign of King Charles the Second Entituled an Act for the Encouragement of Trade And the Act made in the Seventh & Eighth year of King William the third Entituled an Act for preventing Frauds & regulating Abuses in the Plantation Trade are Contravened & broke in upon, And the Execution of Several Clauses therein to be performed by the Persons mentioned in the s^d Acts to be appointed by the Governour (who has taken the Oath for preservation of Trade appointed by the s^d Acts as well as the Act of the 12th of King Charles for Encouragement & Encreasing of Shipping) taken out of their Hands & put into M^r Carrols & his Deputys Who have taken no such oath nor are any Persons mentioned in the aforesaid Acts of Parliament

His Excellency offers to this Board that their Lordships He humbly Conceives could not grant such a Commission during the Time of his holding the Station He is now employed in

Further the s^d M^r Carrol has also obtained a Grant under his Lordships great Seal to be his Escheator General which is an Office of Record and relates to the Administration of Justice within this Province.