

our Lord God Everlasting: Know Ye, that we reposing special trust and confidence, in the great care truth fidelity and circumspection of John Llewelin of the county of St. Maries within this our said province of Maryland, and for divers other good causes and considerations us thereunto mooving have ordained constituted and appointed as by these presents Wee Doe hereby ordaine constitute and appoint the said John Llewelin to be clerk and register of our land office within this our said province, by us for all matters relating to land specially and particularly now lately erected and appointed, Hereby authorising and empowering the said John Llewelin as register to take into his care and charge all and singular the records transcripts, bookes papers and memorandums whatsoever to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining giving also hereby full power and authority to our said clerk or register to take the probate of all rights for land due to any person or persons inhabiting resideing in or tradeing into this province (according to the conditions of plantations by our deceased father Cæcilius &c. of noble memory published and set forth and remaining upon record within our said office) as shall from time to time and at all times hereafter be brought and tendered to him for that purpose, and upon due proof thereof made to issue out and singne warrants, and upon returne of the certificates thereof to draw patents for the same as is usuall keeping a true and perfect record of what shall by him be done and perpetrated by vertue hereof in the execution of his said office, and in all things to act doe and perform as to the said place and office may or of right ought to be done, according to the *condicions* of our deceased father Cæcilius &c. as aforesaid, or such other conditions as shall by us from time to time and at all times hereafter be set forth and published within this our said province and according to such further orders instructions and directions as he shall from time to time receive from us or our lieutenant general or other chief governor for the time being, Provided alwaies that noe special warrant, warrant of resurvey or other special matter whatsoever relating to land as aforesaid shall be issued out but by special order from us or our lieutenant general or other chief governor as aforesaid, any thing to the contrary before mentioned notwithstanding, To Have and to Hold the said place and office of clerk and register of our land office to the said John Llewelin for and during our pleasure. Given under our hand and lesser seale at armes the nineteenth day of April in the fifth year of our Dominion &c. Annoq Domini 1680."