

At a Court held for Kent County at the Court House on Chester River in the Town
of Chester in said County on the second day of November and continued the third fourth fifth
sixth day of the same Month in the first Year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord
George by the Grace of God of Great Brittain France and Ireland King Defender of
the Faith &c. In the Year of our Lord Christ one Thousand Seven hundred and
fourteen - Before

The Worshipful } Col William Pearce } Commrs. J. Gent.
Cap. William Scott.
Cap. Edward Scott.
W. Michael Miller

M^r William Frisby high Sheriff of said County delivers to this Court from
His Excellency John Hart Esquire his Majesties Governour of a Decree which is
as follows viz

Maryland's George by the Grace of God of Great Brittain France and Ireland
King Defender of the Faith &c. To William Scott Edward Scott William Comyns and Michl.
Miller of Kent County Gent. Greeting We Do hereby authorize and Empower you or
any one of you to Administer the Oaths appointed Instead of the Oaths of Allegiance
and Supremacy and the Oaths heretofore Administered and the accustomed Oath of Justice to William
Pearce Gent. and you the said William Pearce having taken the said Oath is Empowered
to Administer the same unto the Justices and Commissioners of our County Court and all other
officers in your County and we will that you and every of you having taken the said Oaths
do severally subscribe the Abjuration Oath and Test and after you have taken the
said Oaths and subscribed the said Oath of Abjuration and Test you are hereby Empowered to
Administer the Oath appointed by Law to all officers within your County and others who shall
offer to take the same and to make them subscribe the said Oath of Abjuration and Test and for
your so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant and Authority Hereof fail not And when
you have the same so done you are to subscribe the same Under your hands and Seals unto
us in our high Court of Chancery with all convenient Speed WITNESS our Trusty and well beloved
John Hart Esquire our Cap. General and Governour in and over this our Province of Maryland
and the Territories thereto belonging this 28. day of October in the first Year of our Reigne &c.
Amoque Done in 1714

Cap William Scott in the above Decree full mentioned Came into Court and Administers the
Oath of Allegiance and Supremacy as also the above mentioned Oath of Abjuration and the
accustomed Oath of Justice to Col William Pearce as a bove directed. And the said Col
William Pearce having taken the said Oaths Administers the same severally to the
aforesaid William Scott Cap. Edward Scott and W. Michael Miller and sets on the Bench
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