

Maryland for

To his Excellency Govern: & his privy Councill
The humble petition of the Inhabitants of Calvert
County in the shire of Potomack &c.

May it please your Honors

Calvert County
Petition: Towne

Whereas an Act was made, confirmed, and esta-
: blished by his Excellency the R. Hon: the Lord Prop: of this Province
by and with the consent of the upp. and lower house of the said
Judiciall and Act for building of Townes in this Province of
Maryland Anno Dom: 1683: And in the said Act divers
places in each County within this Province very fitt & commodious
appointed where the said Townes should be built and settled to the
great ease and comodity both of us the Inhabitants of this Province
and of y^e Merchants their trading and residing: amongst which one
very commodious place the in y^e shire of Potomack was in the said
Act nominated and appointed viz: on John Boling's land near W:
Gault's land: (as may appear by the said Act more at large) But in
a subsequent Assembly (by whose unlikeliest suggestion wth the
the aforesaid commodious and commodious place at John Boling's land
was left out, and altered to a place (allog: ther to us in commodious
upon Henry Cox's land; We therefore whose names are
subscribed, and divers others the Inhabitants of Potomack River
humbly pray your Honors due consideration in the premises,
And that although the said John Boling's land be left out and
omitted in the said Act of Assembly; Yet that your
Honors would be pleased, and in your wisdoms think meet
to grant us the aforesaid place at John Boling's land
for a port of trade, to land or unlade any of our goods
Trafficke or Merchandize; and there lawfully to trade, buy sell
and Merchandise, as at any Towne within this Province
without the breach or Infring: of the said Act, And
further that your Honors would please to appoint & authorize
four Judicious persons to fix the said Port & quay laid out in
Lots, as your Honors shall see convenient, And that in addition
that your Honors will may readily build upon and settle the said
Port for the use aforesaid, and humbly beg that it may be confirmed
to us and our heirs, for a Port of trading, buying, selling, Merchandise

for a Port at
Boling's land

W. Gault