

Ordered that M^r John Thompson Clerk of Cecil County give his deposition in this matter, and amongst other things whether S^r Thomas did not refuse to give him his Commission: without paying him a Fee or some certain sum of money, that Col^lonel Caspary Herman and M^r Charles James of the same County be desired to take such Deposition and return it forthwith to this Board

Ordered also that M^r Lomas' Deposition to the like Effect be taken by M^r Henry Hutchins and Captain W^m Barton of Charles County to be forthwith returned to this Board

And likewise that M^r Henry Fernley's Deposition be taken by M^r Hutchins and Captain Bigger of Calvert County to be returned as before - and the said Fernley be summoned to appear here in his proper Person accordingly issued the following Precept Viz

By the Governor & Council October 15 1692

Ordered that M^r Henry Hawkins and Capt Will^m Barton two of their Majestys Justices of Peace for Charles County call before them and take the oaths of M^r Clebourn Lomas Clerk appointed for said County touching his communication and agreement with S^r Thomas Lawrence for the said Office of Clerk and upon what conditions and terms he had the same granted him by the said S^r Thomas the same to be transmitted to this Board with all Speed.

Signed by Order J^h & Council

The same Order mutatis inutand to Col^l Herman and M^r James of Cecil County for John Thomson -
also to M^r Hutchins and Captain Bigger for Henry Fernley Clerk of Calvert County -

Proposed the giving an account of this whole matter to his Majesty setting forth that whereas S^r Thomas By his Commission and Instructions is authorised to take only of the Clerks the tenth part of their Fees hath contrarily taken more