

Ordered that Proclamation be prepared declaring 1st the
 Succession to be President of the Council during the absence of
 the Governor or Commander in Chief which accordingly was
 done and signed by his Excellency & passed the Broad Seal
 & is as follows viz. vide Below

Their Majestys Broad Seal of this Province delivered to the
 honorable Coll^l Mich^l Greenberry ^{of the Board} to be kept there until further
 Order

Petition of Benj^l. Hall of 1st Marys County was then
 praying the Delivery of some Guns and Ammunition ta-
 ken from Captain Bowdley late of 1st Marys County deceased
 in the time of the Revolution by Capt^l. John Dent with whose
 Widow he hath since Intermarried

Ordered that what Guns and Ammunition of the said
 Captain Bowdleys were taken away by the said Capt^l Dent
 be returned to the Petitioner or the said Capt^l Dent give an an-
 swer to this Board

By his Excellency a Proclamation

Whereas their Majestys by their Royal Commission to
 the Governor of this Province have been pleased to signify
 their Will & pleasure that in case of the death or absence of the
 Governor & no other person upon the place commissioned
 to be Commander in Chief of this their said Province that
 then the Council of Maryland should take upon them the
 Administration of the Government & Executing the said Com-
 mission & the several powers & authorities therein contained
 & that the first Councillor who should be at the time of the
 Death or absence of the Gov^r or Commander in Chief residing
 within this their Majestys Province & Dominions should
 in the said Council with such powers & such eminences as
 any former President hath used and enjoyed within the said
 Province or any other their Plantations in America until
 the Arrival of such Governor or Commander in Chief or their