

Rules of the Provincial Court

Presented to the Board the following Certificate relating to
Dorchester County Parishes laid out according to Act &c the
which was Ordered to be Entered & is as follows
Maryland

Whereas it is provided by Act of Assembly that
the several & respective Justices & Freeholders of each respec-
tive County within this Province shall at some convenient
time assemble & meet together for the Dividing & Laying
out their several & respective Counties into several Districts
& Parishes & the said Justices at their so meeting & Assem-
bling as aforesaid to the full effecting & accomplishing all
& every thing by the said Act of them required should by the
Clerk of the said County enter upon record their proceedings.
Whereupon &c the same so upon record entered as aforesaid
to be certified by the said Clerk under his hand and Seal of
such County wherein such proceedings shall sought to be
certified as aforesaid

We therefore their Majestys Justices for the County of
Dorchester do hereby humbly certify that we Henry Sugg
Jacob Sockerman Henry Hooper Thomas Emdals John
Mackeels & William Mashew their Majestys Justices for the
County of Dorchester as aforesaid together with the Honble
Charles Hitchens Esq & several other the Chief & principal
Freeholders of the said County did on the first day of February
1692 last past meet together for dividing the
said County into several Districts & Parishes pursuant to
the said Act & that we the said Justices & Freeholders as
aforesaid by a Mutual & Unanimous consent did agree & con-
sent unto that the said County of Dorchester should be divided
into two several Districts & Parishes by a Divisional Line
drawn from the mouth of little Choptank River bounding there-
with to the head of the said River from thence with a straight
Line drawn to the head of the North Branch of Blackwater
River to a plantation now in the Tenure or Occupation of