

Thereupon the said Mr. Batson took the Oath of Allegiance & the Oath appointed by Act of Parliament instead of the Oath of Supremacy & subscribed thereto the said Mr. Batson also gave Bond for the due Execution of his Office according to the late Act of Parliament made in the Seventh & Eighth years of the reign of our Sovereign Lord King William the third & likewise took the Oath for the Encouragement & increasing of Trade appointed by the said Act of Parliament

The petition of Mr. Clement Hall of St. Marys County & his wife referred to his Majesty's Council at Law to make report thereon

The Clerk of the Provincial Court being sent for came & there following Certificates for discharge of Navigation Bonds being read & approved of were delivered to him to be filed up in his Office viz

For the Rainbow of Sumaster Jonathan Bent Mr
Dated the 5th of June 1696

For the Ship W. & Eliz. Henry Bird Mr dated the 26 of Nov^r 1697 & the Souds Commissioners Letters thereon.

A Certificate for the London Urine John Wade Mr dated the 18th of December 1697 for Bonds said to be given the 20th of July 1690

This Board considering the Backwardness of the Year that so late Commissions are come from his most Sacred Majesty in the right honorable the Souds of the Council of Trade & Plantations nor any absolute necessity of the Assembly now meeting do Consult and