

and to his most Sacred Majesty

The great regard we have to Government, and the Duty we owe to your Excellency's Authority, derived to you from his Lordship the Lord Proprietary, and approved by his Majesty, induces us to assure you, that it is very remote from us to have the least Intention of opposing the same, but on the contrary shall pay due Obedience thereto, and demean our selves as loyal and dutiful Subjects.

We humbly pray that your Excellency will not be displeas'd with us, nor that the modest Discharge of our Duty in the Trust reposed, be imputed to Us as a Crime. We really desire your favourable Countenance and Opinion. And are with dutiful Respect,

Your Excellency's

Most Obedient

Most humble Servants

Annapolis 25 Sept<sup>r</sup> 1739 —

C. Carroll,

V. Denton,

Edward Sprigg,

Turnor Woolton,

Osborn Sprigg,

John Magruder,

The Subscriber hereof having received directions from some of the Persons mentioned in an order of the House of Delegates dated the 9<sup>th</sup> June last, to get several papers out of the Assembly Office / then in the custody of Mr Cheselin as Clerk Assistant to Mr Macnemard Clerk to the said House of Delegates / in order to copy the same for the use of the publick; he the Subscriber, did accordingly, in pursuance of such directions, at several times, go up into the provincial Office / whereof the said Mr Cheselin was also at that time Clerk / and likewise to the Assembly Office, at the usual Office Hours, in expectation of finding him at one or other of the said Offices, to acquaint him with the aforesaid directions and to obtain several papers out of the said Assembly Office which were thought requisite and necessary to be copied in order to be transmitted to Great Britain for the use of the publick; but he not having at any of the aforesaid several times found the said Mr Cheselin in the said provincial Office, nor either himself or any of his Clerks in the said Assembly Office, he the Subscriber did on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of June last / when also he