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Our present Commission, and the Instructions herewith given to you, and by such further Instructions as may hereafter be given by Us under Our Sign-Manual and Signet, or by Our Order in Our Privy Council, or through One of Our Principal Secretaries of State, and according to such Laws and Ordinances as are now or shall hereafter be in force in Our said Colony.

II. And We do hereby Declare Our Pleasure to be that, for the purpose of Advising you, there shall be for Our said Colony an Executive Council, which shall be Constituted in such manner as may be Directed by the Instructions accompanying this Our Commission, or by any other Instructions which may from time to time be addressed to you by Us, under Our Sign-Manual and Signet.

III. And We do hereby Authorize and Empower you to keep and use the Public Seal of Our said Colony for Sealing all things whatsoever that shall pass the said Seal.

IV. And We do hereby Authorize and Empower you to make and execute in Our Name and on Our Behalf, under the said Public Seal, Grants and Dispositions of any Lands within Our said Colony which may be lawfully granted or disposed of by Us, either in conformity with Instructions under Our Sign-Manual and Signet, or in conformity with such Regulations as are now in force or may be made by you in that behalf with the Advice of Our said Executive Council, and duly Published in Our said Colony.

V. And We do hereby Authorize and Empower you to Constitute and Appoint all such Judges, Commissioners of Oyer and Terminer, Justices of the Peace, and other necessary Officers and Ministers⁺as may lawfully be Appointed by Us, all of whom shall hold their Offices during Our Pleasure.

VI. And We do hereby Authorize and Empower you, as you shall see occasion, in Our Name and on Our Behalf, to grant to any Offender convicted of

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