

shall hereafter be granted, appointed, or given you, under Our Signet and Seal Manual, or by Our Order in Our Privy Council.

2. And you are with all due Solemnity to cause Our said Commission to be published at \_\_\_\_\_ and such other Ports of your Government, as you shall think necessary and expedient, as soon as possible after your arrival; which being done, you are in the next place to nominate and establish a Council for Our said Province, to assist you in the administration of Government, which Council is for the present, to be composed of the following Persons, (Viz) George Duncan Ludlow Esqr., Our Chief  
10 Justice of Our said Province, and Beverley Robinson, James Putnam, Abijah Willard, Gabriel Ludlow, Isaac Allen, Joshua Upham, Edward Winslow, William Hazen, Daniel Bliss, Gilfred Studholme and Jonathan Odell Esquires and \_\_\_\_\_ other Persons &c. Our Chief Justice of Our said Province, and \_\_\_\_\_ and other Persons to be chosen by you from amongst the most considerable of the Inhabitants of, or Persons of Property in Our Said Province, which Persons so nominated and appointed by you as aforesaid (Five of whom We do hereby appoint to be a Quorum) are to be of Our Council for Our said Province, and to have & enjoy all the Powers, Privileges and authorities usually exercised and enjoyed by the  
20 Members of Councils in Our other Plantations, & also such others as are contained in Our said Commission under Our Great Seal of Great Britain, & in these Our Instructions to you; and Our said Council shall meet at such Time and Times, place & places as you in Your Discretion shall think necessary and expedient; It is nevertheless Our Will and Pleasure that the said Chief Justice shall not be capable of taking upon himself the Administration of the Government upon the Death or Absence of you Our Governor, or of the Commander in Chief of Our said Province for the time being.

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5. And that We may be always informed of the names and Characters  
30 of Persons fit to supply the Vacancies, which may happen in Our said Council, you are in case of any vacancy, to transmit to Us, by one of Our principal Secretaries of State, the names and characters of three Persons Inhabitants of Our said Colony, whom you shall esteem the best qualified for that Trust, and you are also to transmit a Duplicate of the said Account to the Committee of Our Privy Council for Trade and Plantations, for their Information.

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7. And in the choice and nomination of the Members of Our said Council, as also of the Chief Officers, Judges, Assistants, Justices of the Peace and other Officers of Justice, you are always to take care, that they  
40 be men of good Life, well affected to Our Government, and of abilities suitable to their Employments.

8. You are neither to augment, nor diminish the number of Our said Council, as it is at present established, nor to suspend any of the members thereof, without good and sufficient cause, nor without the consent of the majority of Our said Council, signified in Council, after due examination of the charge against such Councillor, and his answer thereunto; And in case of the Suspension of any of them, you are to cause your reasons for so

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