## Two holograph draft certificates that Girard's Bahamas seal was of high quality and good value.

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To the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of his Majestys Treasury.

May it please your Lordships

I have perused his Majestys Warrant the Vouchers of M<sup>r</sup> Iames Girards Bill hereunto annexed for engraving a seal of silver for the Bahama Islands, which Bill your Lordships were pleased to referr to the principal Officers of his Majesties Mint on & which came to my hands in the end of September last, & I humbly certify your Lordships that I find the Seal right according to the directions of his Majesties Warrant & the work very good & by the Certificate of Holies Newcastle Esl enclosed that the same was sent to George Phenney Esl Governour of the said Islands. I find also that before it was sent it was weighed in the Mint & was found of the weight expressed in the Bill & the price of the silver set down in the Bill answers to its weight. I find also that the price of the workmans is reasonable being as low or a little lower then in proportion to the prizes heretofore allowed for the workmanship of seals of like sizes. All which is most humbly submitted to your Lordships great wisdome.

May it please your Lordships

In obedience to your Lordships Order of reference of 25 Iune delivered to one of us in the end of September, concerning a new double silver seal made by M<sup>r</sup> Iames Girard for his Majesties Bahama Islands in America, we have perused his Majestys warrant for making the same & the certificate of the delivery thereof pursuant thereto; & by an impression taken from it & kept in the Mint I find that it is duly is made according to the directions of said warrant & sent to the Governour of the said Islands. And by an impression taken from it before it was sent & kept in the Mint, we find that the work was very good. It was weighed in the Mint before it was sent & there found of the weight expressed {in} M<sup>r</sup> Gerards Bill, & the price of the work is reasonable in proportion to the prizes heretofore allowed for the workmanship of seales of the like sizes. Allwhich

For M<sup>rs</sup> Conduit at Cranbury neare Winchester in Hampshire