

Chief Justice Nicholas More (Moore)

1638-1687

Term

1684-1685 (years taken from Lawmaking and Legislators in Pennsylvania)

Education

Physician

Professional Experience

- Clerk and Secretary of the Provincial Council, Pennsylvania, May 2, 1683
- Justice of the Peace, Philadelphia County, January 2, 1683 (Presiding Justice)
- Justice, Court of Common Pleas, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, and Orphans' Court, Philadelphia County, January 2, 1683
- Member, General Assembly, 1682, 1684 (Speaker), 1685
- Chief Justice, Supreme Court, commissioned August 4, 1684 for two years
- Assembly impeached More, May 15, 1685; called for him to cease judicial activities, June 2, 1685
- Commissioner of State, Pennsylvania, 1687, but died before taking office

Memberships and Associations

- First President, Free Society of Traders, 1682-April 1684

Publications

- Free Society of Traders in Pennsylvania. The Articles, Settlement, and Offices of the Free Society of Traders in Pennsylvania: Agreed upon by Divers Merchants and Others for the Better Improvement and Government of Trade in That Province (1682).
- A Letter from Doctor More: with Passages out of Several Letters from Persons of Good Credit Relating to the State and Improvement of the Province of Pennsylvania: Published to Prevent False Reports (1687).

Sources

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