April Term 1796.

Worcester County Sc. At a County Court of the State of Maryland held at Snowhill Town, in and for the County afs the second Monday of June, to wit, the tenth day of the same Month, in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and ninety three, were present –

The Honorable { John Done Esquire Chief Justice
William Morris and John Selby Purnell } Esquires Associate Justices.

George Purnell Esquire Sheriff. James R Morris Clerk.

Peter Grevious Lessee of John Richardson vs Atkins Dennis. } Worcester Sc. Henry Holdfast late of Worcester County Planter was attached to answer unto Peter Grevious of a plea wherefore with force and Arms the said Henry Holdfast entered into one Grist Mill with its Appurtenances and all that Tract of Land covered with Water called Richardsons Discovery Containing forty Acres lying and being in the County afs which the said John Richardson Demised to the said Peter for a Term which is not expired and ejected him from his said Grist Mill and forty Acres of Land covered with Water, and other wrongs to him did to the great Damage of the said Peter and against the peace Government and dignity of the State of Maryland &c. And whereupon the said Peter by Isaac Purnell his Attorney complains that whereas the said John Richardson on the first day of March in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and ninety two at the County afs had demised to the said Peter the said Grist Mill and forty Acres of Land covered with Water with their Appurtenances To Have and To Hold the said Grist Mill and forty Acres of Land covered with Water with their Appurtenances to the said Peter and his Assigns from the first day of February then last past to the full Term of Seven years then next following fully to be complete and ended by virtue of which demise the said Peter entered into the said Grist Mill and Land covered with Water with their Appurtenances and was possessed thereof, and the said Henry afterwards, to wit, on the first day of April in the Year afs, with force and arms that is to say with Guns, Swords and Clubs entered into the said Grist Mill and the said forty Acres of Land covered with Water with their Appurtenances which the said John Richardson had Demised to the said Peter in form afs for the Term afs which is not yet expired and ejected the said Peter out of his said Grist Mill and forty Acres of Land covered with Water with their Appurtenances, and other wrongs to the said Peter then and there did to the great Damage of the said Peter and against the peace Government and dignity of the State of Maryland &c. And whereupon the said Peter saith he is injured and hath Damage to the value of Two thousand pounds current Money of Maryland and thereof he brings Suit & so forth. John Doe and Richard Roe Pledges to prosecute. And on the fourth Monday of November Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and ninety two came the afs John Richardson Lessee by Isaac Purnell Gentleman his Attorney, and the Sheriff, to wit, George Purnell Gentleman, now here returned that he had delivered to Atkins Dennis the Tenant in possession of the premises mentioned in the Declaration afs a true copy of the said Declaration, and by the Indorsement on said Declaration he was directed. And hereupon the said Atkins Dennis by Benjamin Dashiell his Attorney comes and defends the force and injury when and so forth. Upon which, it is by the

said Court ordered that the said Atkins Dennis enter into the common rule for confessing lease, entry, and Ouster, and the said Atkins Dennis says he is not guilty of the Trespass and Ejectment in the Declaration afs mentioned in manner and form as the said Peter Grevious Lessee of the said John Richardson above against him hath complained, and of this he puts himself upon the Country and takes defence according to the Pretentions as shall be laid down in virtue of a Warrant of Resurvey to be issued in this Cause; and the plaintiff aforesaid doth so likewise. Whereupon Command is given to the Sheriff of Worcester County that he should cause to come here before the Justices of Worcester County Court at the next Court, by them to be held at Snowhill Town in and for the County afs the second Monday of June then next twelve good free and lawful men of the County afs by whom the truth of the premises may better be known and who neither are any ways related to the Parties afs to recognize upon their Oaths of and upon the premises because as well the afs John Richardson Lessee as the afs Atkins Dennis have put themselves upon that Jury, and the same day is given to the Parties afs, here, and so forth. At which said Second Monday of June came again the Parties afs by their Attorneys afs, upon which the said Atkins Dennis by his Attorney afs presented to the Court here the States Writ Commanding the Justices and Sheriff of the County afs to have the Body of the said Atkins Dennis together with the Cause of his Caption and detention and all things thereunto relating before the Judges of the General Court at their Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of the State afs the second Tuesday of September then next following, at Easton in Talbot County – Whereupon it is by the Court here considered that the Writ afs be allowed and that the Record between the Parties afs be transmitted to the Judges therein named together with the Body of the afs Atkins Dennis according to the Command of the said Writ to this Record annexed. Testis James R Morris Clk.

Worcester County, In the State of Maryland, to wit, I hereby certify to all Persons concerned that the foregoing is a true Transcript from the Records and Proceedings of Worcester County Court – In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Public Seal of my Office this 6th day of September Anno Domini 1793. James R Morris Clerk of Wor. County Court.

(Seal of Worcester)

At which said second Tuesday of September Seventeen hundred and ninety three, came into our General Court, the Parties afs by their Attorneys afs, whereupon further process of and upon the premises afs, between the Parties afs by consent of the said Parties and their Attorneys and by order of the Court here thereon was continued until the second Tuesday of April then next following – At which said second Tuesday of April Seventeen hundred and ninety four, came again into Court the Parties afs, by their Attorneys afs, and thereupon further process of and upon the Premises afs; between the Parties afs by Consent of said Parties and their Attorneys and by order of the Court here thereon was continued until the second Tuesday of September then next following – At which said second Tuesday of September Seventeen hundred and ninety four, came again into Court the Parties afs by their Attorneys afs, and thereupon further process of and upon the premises afs, between the Parties afs by consent of the said Parties and their Attorneys afs and by order of the Court here thereon was continued until the second Tuesday of April then next following – At which said Second