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To His Excellency Thomas Sim Lee Esq. Governor of the State of Maryland & the Honourable Council

The Humble Petition of John Travers of Worcester County

Humbly Sheweth That your Petitioner now under Confinement & in a poor State of Health many Miles from home & having as found not Acquaintance to be of any help to him Nor Even proper Necessaries to Shift & Relying upon the Promise of yr Excellency & Honours Clemency no there to a Barge setting out would be glad if yr Excellency & Honours would permit him to take a Barge as your Petitioner is fully Satisfyd it will Be of infinite Service to the Country as to Property &c yr Excellency was pleased to Ask if I could give Security I make no doubt but to give such as will satisfy you if you will please to Enlarge me when at home yr Excellency may depend that I will return to my family & collect such Evidence as will support what I have Sworn to to Appear at Special or Talbot Court yr Petitioner Begs Pardon for Troubling you but having a distracted family & no one to support them but myself & a Wife in a poor Condition hope yr Excellency & honours will take it into Consideration as I have Power to inform yr Excellency that you will take Security for my Appearance at Special or Talbot Court as Evidence &c yr Petitioner as in Duty Bound Shall Ever Pray

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Dr Sir

I am afraid you will think me very troublesome But hope you will Excuse it I shall be much Obliged to you to inform me whether I am not to be tried by the Civil Law I was in hopes you would have spoke for me & have me up to give my Informations & Relieved to Appear at a Special & General Court held for the Eastern Shore & hope you will Intercede & remember his Excellency of his promise to me as I am ready & willing to do Every thing in my Power & if I was at home I should be a Means of detecting them if you will please to send me an Answer the favour shall be gratefully Acknowledged

I Rest Sir yr Distressed Servant

J Travers