To the honorable Philip Calvert Esqr chiefe
Iudge in Testamentary Causes &c

Tertio Iovis 8 January

The humble Petition of John Kirck
of Dorchester County

Most humbly Sheweth to yo. hon:
That whereas yo. Petitioner being Ex. of
Francis Tassall late of Dorchester County,
was ordered by yo. hon. that ye widdow and
Relict of ye said Tassall should have her
share of ye Land of ye deceased And
further it was ordered that yo. Petitioner
should pay out of ye personall estate to ye said
widdow four thousand Eight hundred and
sixteen pounds of tobacco for her thirds and
seaven thousand two hundred & eleaven pounds
of tobacco for ye two part of Francis Tassalls
the youngest child of ye said deceased, which
tobacco is paid According to yo. hon. Order,
Alas sinc I am informed by severall people
of good faith that she hath kept
privately severall of ye deceased goods &
sold them which she never brought to an
Appriser, this is ye earnest desire of your
Petitioner that you hon. would be pleased to
Cause that a Attacow may issue to ye Sheriff of ye
county to show cause if ye Reason if any she
have why she has privately kept ye goods of
ye deceased & not brought them to any Appriser
in selling ye goods of ye deceased & not giving ye
Petitioner an acc^t being Ex. of ye said estate
hoping that yo. hon. will be pleased to consider
ye premisses yo. Petitioner as in duty bound shall pray &c

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Upon reading ye forgoing Petition ye judge
ordered that Attacon should issue to ye
Sheriffe of Dorchester County to Cite & summon
ye Relict of Francis Tassall deceased that
shee be personally appeare before ye judge
for probate of wills on the second day
upon Oath what goods shee had privately
Conveyed away of ye said Francis Tassall deceased
on ye 27 day of February next which Attacon
passed ye Seale of this Court immediately

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Maryland
By vertue of a Commission to me directed from the
Honble Philip Calvert Chancellour of the Province
of Maryland to take the deposition of Capt. John
Coalsdall vizt
The deposition of John Coalsdall aged forty Eight
or thirty abouts being sworne before me this 27 day
of November 1678 saith that in the yeare 1658
or there, the said deponent carried Letters from
John Billingsly liveing there in Quenatuck in
Manahanum County in Virginia unto his Mother
Agatha Billingsley liveing then in ye Citty of
Rotterdam in Holland, and delivered the said
Letters to her, and brought an Answer of them
to ye said John, and his Mother said unto the
deponent at ye same time that if ye said John
Billingsly had sent some tobacco unto his brother
it had been better for him, and ye deponent
saith further that the Reverend George
Billingsley is ye Father of ye said John Billingsly
of Virginia & further saith not

Sworne before me
Sam Bourne

(John Coalsdall)