Attachment having issued against Mary Lyon widow & Relict of Daniel Lyon late of Ann Arundell County deceased to Show Cause why She Conceals part of the said deceased's Estate from Ephraim Cocer of the Said County his Admin.r - The Sherriff of Ann Arundel County a.d to whom the same was directed makes return thereof to the Court here endors'd

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James Govane Sherriff

Whereupon it is Ordered that the same be renewed, which was renewed accordingly, returnable Next Court

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Be it Remembered that on the thirteenth day of October Anno Dom.i 1729 Thomas Coleman of Charles County preferred the following petition to his Honour the Commissary General which is ordered to be Entered ..... (Viz.t)

To Maryland ss. To the Honourable Edward Henry Calvert Esquire Commissary General & chief Judge for probate of Wills and granting administrations.

The humble petition of Thomas Coleman of Charles County

Sheweth That a certain Thomas Badgett late of Prince Georges County made his last Will and Testament in writing and thereof Appointed Your Petitioner together with his wife Elizabeth Badgett Executors That your petitioner renounced the Execution of the same Will, and the said Elizabeth the deceased's Widow took upon her the administration of the same Estate and proceeded so far therein as to return an Inventory thereof - But so it is may it please your Honour, that the said Elizabeth is lately deceased without having past any account of her administration, and as it is pretended hath made a Will to the prejudice of Elizabeth Badgett the grand daughter & principal Legatee of the said Thomas Badgett who now is and hath been for four Years under the Care and Guardianship of Your petitioner

And Your petitioner humbly Conceives that if the said Will be proved & the Executors therein appointed have Letters Testamentary thereon it must Intirely defeat the intent and meaning of the aforesaid Thomas Badgett's Will by which his whole Estate was bequeathed to the aforesaid Elizabeth Badgett his Grand daughter after the decease of the a.d Elizabeth Badgett his widow and Executrix - Your petitioner therefore humbly prays that no probate may be made of the said Will pretended to be made by Elizabeth Badgett the widow of the said Thomas Badgett until he be heard in Relation thereto and

and also that Your petitioner may have Letters of Administration (De bonis non &c.) on the Estate of the said Thomas Badgett in Right of the said Elizabeth a Minor (the Legal Representative of the said Thomas) as her next friend and Guardian, And the said Elizabeth together with Your petitioner shall pray &c.

Tho Coleman

Whereupon his Honour the Commissary General Orders the Register of this Court to write to Mr. Peter Dent Deputy Commissary of Prince Georges County as follows Viz.t

Prerogative Office 13.th October 1729

Sir You are hereby required to take notice that Thomas Coleman hath preferred a petition to the Honble the Commissary General against proving the Will of Elizabeth Badgett until he be heard in relation thereto, and also prayed Letters de bonis non &c. on the Estate of Thomas Badgett in right of Elizabeth Badgett a minor Grand daughter and principal Legatee of the said Thomas Badgett of which You are to give notice to the nearest relations of the said Thomas Badgett and the supposed Executors of the said Elizabeth Badgett if known to You that they appear at the Commissarys Court to be held on the second Tuesday of November next to show Cause to the Contrary or Otherwise Administration will be accordingly Granted to the said Thomas Coleman and send the Office an account to whom You have given such notice

Which Order was accordingly sent the same day to the said Deputy Commissary by the aforesaid Thomas Coleman

And now here at this day (to wit) the aforesaid second Tuesday of November being the Eleventh day of the same Month Anno Dom.i 1729 comes again the said Thomas Coleman, and the Deputy Commissary of Prince Georges County writes to the Register of this Court in the following manner

Sir According to your last Orders from the Prerogative Court I have writt to Sam.l Warring Ex.r of the Last Will and Testament of Eliz.a Badgett and have desired that he will acquaint the Relations of Thomas Badgett if any there be I have enquired but can hear of none the Letter went by a safe hand that promised to deliver it him self the next day being the last of October which was as soon as I could possibly write after the receipt of Yr. Novem.r y.e 10.th 1729 - from Sr. Yr. very humble Serv.t at Command Pet Dent

But the said Samuel Warring doth not Appear, nor any other person to shew Cause why the said Administration should not be granted to the said Thomas Coleman the petitioner

Whereupon after