Whereas Peter Ellis and Elizabeth his wife Ad.ix of William Palmer Exec.rs did Action against Thomas Preston for One thousand and one hundred pounds of Tobacco the said Peter Ellis not making the said Action appeare to the Court to be duly the said Preston prayed a Nonsuite against the Said Peter Ellis w.ch was Granted to the Defendant accordingly

Bill of Cost: 214. Tobacco. Vera Cop. Thomas Hedge Cler. Cur. Baltimore

Maryland ss: At a Court held for Baltimore County August the fourth Anno Domi 1679 there w.th Court were then present

Major Thomas Long, Capt. John Worsington, Capt. Henry Hardware } Mr. Miles Gibson, Mr. Edward Dorsey, Mr. John Bearing } Comm.rs

Wheras in the Name of the Right Honble the Lord Baron to command you to take Thomas Preston if he shall be found in your Balwick & him safe keepe for that you have his body at a Court to be held for Baltimore County the first Tuesday in August next ensuing to answer unto Peter Ellis and Elizabeth his wife Ad.ix of William Palmer in a plea of trespass on the Case, & have you there this writ. Witness my hand and Seale this Eighteenth day of June Anno Dni 1679 & in the fourth year of the Dominion of the Right Honble Charles Lord

To the high Sheriffe of Baltimore County or his Deputy. Entered by Thomas Hedge Cler.

Old George Ness: Jurat

To the Worsh.ll the Court of Baltimore County

The humble Petition of Peter Ellis & Elizabeth his wife Ad.ix of Wm Palmer dec.d.

Sheweth. That Thomas Preston Gent. Indebted to the Estate of William Palmer dec.d in the Just sum of One thousand and one hundred pounds of Tobacco as appeare may appeare Your Petitioners humbly prayes an Order for the said Debt w.th Costs & Charges. Pray.

Wee are to Impower William Palmer to be & appeare my lawfull Attorney in and Causes depending in Calvert County Court and this shall be his warrant. As witness my hand and Seale this third of Septr 1679.

his Thomas ⊓ Preston mark Seal

Thomas Preston is Dr. in Tobacco

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Calvert 1675 —	To Attorneys fees for Thomas Stringer	100
	To Charges for Cut Dudgt to accompt	238
	To Attorneys fees for Tilson	100
Baltimore Courts —	To ditto for Giles Stigand	100
	To three fees for Tilson three writs returned	256
Kent Court —	To Charges in Kent County Attorneys fees	100
	To Sheriffs fees for Mr. Wm Marriner	010
	To Sheriffs fees for Tilson three writs returned	030
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John Dunson appeared for Thomas Preston at the Suite of Peter & Eliz. Ellis Ad.ix of William Palmer in a plea of trespass on the Case. And the said Thomas Cometh by John Dunson his Attorney and defendeth the force & injury when &c & saith that he owe nothing of the aforesaid accompt and of this he prayes humbly upon the Country

Peter Ellis and Elizabeth his wife Ad.ix of William Palmer ag.st Thomas Preston in a plea of trespass of the Case

Peter Ellis and Elizabeth his wife Ad.ix in writing to Joyne Issue and to prayed & abide Judgement & the Deft also doth put himself upon the Country. Whereupon Command is given to the Sheriffe of Baltimore County that he Cause to come twelve Freeholders who neither to Kinsmen be. Strangers after the fourth day of August in the yeare aforesaid upon the said Peter Ellis and Elizabeth his wife and the said Thomas Preston by their Attorneys aforesaid as the Jurors (be sworn) Robert Sawyer. James Collier. Thomas Deakes. John Richards. James Carter. John Ford. Edward Rowe. Richard Sims. George Smith. William Osbourne. Nathaniel Hinchman & Nicholas Humphreys who being impannelled & sworne to Joyne to say the truth in the premisses & hearing Record what Issue is joined on either parts upon their Oaths do say. We of the Jury do find for the Deft with Costs of Suite

Bill of Cost. 540. Tobacco. Vera Cop. Thomas Hedge Cler. Cur. Baltimore

Maryland ss: At a Court held for Baltimore County March the 20. Anno Domi 1679 there w.th Court were then present

Capt. George Ness, Capt. John Worsington } Mr. Miles Gibson, Mr. Edward Dorsey } Mr. John Bearing } Comm.rs

Charles Absolute Lord and Propr of the Province of Maryland &c. To the Sheriffe of Baltimore County greeting. We Command you to take Thomas Preston if he shall be found in your Balwick & him safe keepe so that you have his body at a Court to be held for Baltimore County the first Tuesday in November next ensuing to answer unto Peter and Elizabeth Ellis Ad.ix of William Palmer in a plea of trespass on the Case, And have you there this writ. Witness the Lord and twentyth day of October Anno Domi 1679 and in the fourth yeare of our Dominion &c.

Entered and Sealed by Ord. Thomas Hedge Cler. Cur. Baltimore

Novemb. Court. That whereas Peter Ellis and Elizabeth his wife Ad.ix of William Palmer Commenced an action by Thomas Russell their Attorney against Thomas Preston of Trespass of the case, a Reference was craved on the behalfe of the said Thomas Preston w.ch was granted accordingly

At a Court held for Baltimore County February the third Anno Domi 1679 there w.th present

Capt. George Ness, Mr. Miles Gibson, Mr. Edward Dorsey } Comm.rs

The Court is adjourned unto the fourth Tuesday in March next ensuing

March Court. Thomas Preston was accorded to answer unto Peter Ellis & Elizabeth his wife Ad.ix of the Estate of William Palmer in a plea that he render unto them the sume of One thousand Nineteene pounds of Tobacco w.ch he unjustly detaines. And whereupon the said Peter & Eliz. by Thomas Russell their Attorney cometh and Complaineth that the said Preston Gent. Indebted to the Estate of William Palmer dec.d in the Just sume and quantity of One thousand Nineteene pounds of Tobacco with Costs w.ch to the Estate his owne and unjustly detaineth Nevertheless the said Peter and Elizabeth for the said debt hath commenced severall Suites in this Court and bring writing to be tryed by this Country the Jury found for the Deft. The Pl. requiring a Copy of the Proceedings of the tryalls & bring Orphanes business &c. — perused the opinion of the Court the Plaintiffs Whole debt was and is that the debt ought to be paid & satisfyed to the Estate of Palmer. Although having informed the said Preston & sued hath demanded the said sume w.th cost of Suite, the said Preston the sume