To the Honble the Justices of the Provinciall Court, The humble Peticon of John Doyly

Humbly Shewetb That ye Peticonr by Indenture was to serve the full Terme of Foure yeares after his arrivall in Virginia wth his ffaithfull and truely friend wife Mr Philip Lynes who bought him of One Quarme who came into this Province in the Ship Katherine of Waterford and broke the first day of December 1677 A Worldly standing wth the said Mr Lynes detained ye Peticonr alledging that his Indenture are false & not made in Ireland though ye Peticonr can produce Evidence to this Honble Court that they were made in Ireland and that ye Peticonr was to serve but foure yeares, w[ch] terme ended the first of December last, the said Indenture is herewith annexed whereby it may appeare to ye Honble more plaine

Your Peticonr therefore humbly prayes an Order of this Honble Court for his ffreedome as likewise for his ffreedome Corne and Cloathes

And as in duty bound he shall pray &c

Ch: Peticon and Indenture aforesaid being seen and read. It is the Judgment of this Court that this day to wit the Second day of March Anno Dom: 1681 that the said Indenture is not good Indenture, Therefore it is Ordered by the Court heere that the said Thomas Doyly serve five yeares from the time of his arrivall in this Province according to the Act of Assembly in that Case made and Provided for Servants that come into this Province without Indentures.

To the Honble the Justices of the Provinciall Court

The humble Peticon of Lieutant Oldriff

Humbly Shewetb That ye Peticonr had a Servant namely James Jolly Whereupon arraigned and brought before ye Honble for feloniously stealing of Eleven Hill Moons & brought in guilty by the Jury for part of his bill before Your Honours Hereupon ye Peticonr expended Numbers his ffees to the Sheriffe Eighteen hundred thirty foure pounds of Tobacco, and your Peticonr knowing that it was a great Scandall to ye Peticonrs Honr did see acquit & enlarge the said Jolly of all Service & Service due to ye Peticonr Only that the said Jolly would in Consideration pay ye Peticonr the Tobacco Expended, and on the Tenth day of December the said Jolly did come to ye Peticonr and did then promise to serve ye Peticonr five yeares faithfully, & truely the said Jolly being to have his Corne and Cloathes aby the expiracon of the said time, and now the said Jolly absolutely Denyeth any Service due to ye Peticonr but sayth he is free as ye Peticonr & wth all Demander his Corne and cloathes

Wherefore Ye Peticonr humbly prayes that ye Honr would confirme his said Indenture to Jolly, ye Peticonr may have some satisfaction for all his trouble & hath been at

And ye Peticonr shall pray &c

Ch: Peticon aforesaid being read & heard and Liberty the Indenture the said Peticon mentioned Upon the Judgment of this Court heere this fourth day of March 1681 that the said Indenture is a good Indenture & that the said James Jolly Ought to serve according to the bond therein & the said Lieutant Oldriff making oath in Court that the said James Jolly in the time of his travell with him the said Lieutant Oldriff & before his arraignment for stealing as aforesaid, did absent himselfe from the service of him the said Lieutant fifteene days for w[ch] he also claimed the service of the said James Jolly according to act of Assembly in that Case made & provided Whereupon it is further Ordered by the Court heere that the said James Jolly serve the said Lieutant Oldriff after the expiracon of the said Indenture five the said Lieutant Oldriff One hundred and Sixty days for his absenting himselfe from the said Lieutant's service fifteene days & also costs and

To the Honble the Justices of the Provinciall Court

The humble Peticon of Richard Clarke late Servant to Robert Carvile gent.

Humbly Shewetb That ye Peticonr hath served his said Master five yeares according to the custome in this Province used for Servants that come in without Indenture Nevertheless the said Master refuseth to give him a discharge & also to pay him his ffreedome Corne and Cloathes

Your Peticonr therefore humbly craves an Ord[r] of this Court for his ffreedome & ffreedome Corne and Cloathes. And as in duty bound he shall pray &c

Which Peticon aforesaid being read and heard. and the said Robert Carvile being present in Court & alledging that the said Richard Clarke and one other Servant of the name Thomas were by Kinsman Clark hire & for their ye wage in this Province brought to this Court to be adjudged of what age they were, and were both on one day adjudged to serve five yeares a piece, & that the adjudgment of the said Thomas appeared upon the Records of this Court. but by Neglect of John Bloomfield then Clerke of the said Court, the adjudgment of the said Richard Clarke is not entered upon record, and therefore prayes that by the Neglect of the said John Bloomfield he may not loose the benefit of a yeare service of the said Richard Clarke but that the said Richard may compleat the time of service of five yeares according to the said adjudgment:

Whereupon this Court were fully satisfied that the said Richard Clarke was adjudged in this Court to serve five yeares and that it was the neglect of the said John Bloomfield then the Clerke of this Court that the said adjudgment was not entered upon Record Yet is therefore by the Court heere this day to wit the fourth day of March Anno Dom: 1681 Ordered that the said Richard Clarke serve the said Robert Carvile as ye same appeared upon five yeares from the time of the said adjudgment of the said Thomas. Record.

March ye 6th 1681

Lowdes Yeatage } Ordered by the Court Upon Motion with the Counsell of the Attorneys of both sides that the
ag[t] } Depositions of the Plaintiffs Witnesses be taken in writing and be accounted as Evidence at
Stevens Ex[r] } the Tryall of the action. & this order by the Attorney aforesaid doth admit of the award and bond in the same action:

To the Honble the Justices of the Provinciall Court. The humble Peticon of William Douglas Servant to Wm Harper of St Mary's County

Humbly Shewetb That ye Peticonr hath long had and still doth a Miserable sore Leg w[ch] is most inevitably Incurable sore, & very costly to be taken for the cure thereof, that ye Peticonr hath often time & ye requested his said Master to take some Journey for him, but his said Master hitherto hath and still doth refuse to doe the same whereby ye Peticonr is in great Danger of perishing. The premises considered ye Peticonr humbly prayes ye Honrs consideration of the premises & that some Journey may be taken for his cure. And as in Duty bound he shall pray &c.

Upon Hearing the Petition and Hearing It is Ordered by the Court heere this second day of March 1681 that the said William Harper at his own Proper cost and charge doe with all convenient speed procure an able Surgion to Endeavor to cure the said William Douglas of his said sore Leg.

March ye 4 1681 — Allowed to John Allford of Northampton County for coming going and attendance to Court by for John Drake ag[t] John Richardson for Small Tobacco Four Days at Thirty pounds of Tobacco p day Eight hundred & twenty pounds of Tobacco

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Ord[r] Do. — Allowed to John Nicholls and John Kincaydon of Northampton County for coming going & attendance to Court by for John Drake ag[t] John Richardson in all five and twenty days a piece wt at thirty pounds of tobacco p diem amounts to for ye of them the sum of seven hundred and thirty pounds of tobacco.

Ord[r] Do. — Allowed to Thomas Elton of Accomack County for coming going & attendance to Court by for Thomas Swann against Hugh Hewitt in all thirty three Days at thirty pounds of tobacco p diem Nine hundred & ninety pounds of Tobacco