and Lawfull men of our said Province by whom the truth of the matter may
the better be known of all and all manner of Murders, Treason Misprisions of
Treason Felonys Witchcrafts Enchantments Sorcories Magick Arts Trespasses Fore-
stallings Regratings Ingrossings and Extortions whatsoever and all things
touching and relating to us and the conservation of our peace & the peace of
our said Province, as also for the holding of Common pleas and the hearing
and determining of all and all manner of actions Civill & all personall and
Mixt within our said Province and therefore we Command you and every of you
that you diligently inlend the keeping of the peace Ordinances & Statutes —
aforesaid and all and Singular other the premisses and that at certaine dayes
and places already by the Lawes of our said Province assigned & appointed
or which you or any four or more of the you as aforesaid shall in that behalfe
you make Enquiry of and upon the premisses and hears and determine —
performe and fulfill and Singular the same doing thereing what to Justice
appertaineth according to the Laws and ~~customs~~ Customs of our Kingdom of
England and of our said Province saveing to us the Amerciaments and other things
thereof to us belonging and we command by Vertue of these presents the Sheriffs and
Respective Sheriffs of our said Province that at the certaine dayes and places assigned
or which you or any four or more of you as aforesaid shall appoint and make known
to them they cause to come before you or such four or more of you as aforesaid such
and so many good and Lawfull men of their Bayliwicks by whom the truth of the
Matter premisses may the better be knowne and enquired off and that they together with
all things and Singular the Chiefe officers and ministers civill and military within our
said Province and others our good and Leige peoples of the same (upon the faith &
allegiance which they owe and wherein they stand bound to us) that all things touching
the office of Justices and Justices aforesaid and the Information of us) our peace the
peace of our said Province and all and Singular the premisses they be fully and —
wholly Obedient unto you our said Chiefe Justices and Justices respective Given
under our great Seale of our said Province of Maryland the thirty: the day of
September (Anno Dm. 1692 in the fourth yeare of our Reign &c.

Whereupon said Commission being read and published His Excellency —
the Governor having taken his place administred the oaths of
Allegiance & Abhorrency and the usuall oath of Justice of this Court
unto the Hon. Capt. Francis Nicholson Coll. Nathaniel Blakiston —
Sr. Thomas Lawrence Baron. Coll. Nicholas Greenbury Mr. Thomas Tench
and Major Robert, and thereupon took their places in Court on.

The Clerk and the Sheriff attorneys and Cryer sworne before this Court
are now againe sworne and admitted into their respective offices as

Upon Petition of William Dare of Baltimore County It is Ordered that
this appearance be entered and he discharged from his Recognizance.

Gabriel Clarke
ag.
Richard Smith } Upon petition of the said Smith Mr. Kimber Chiefe Clerke an
Attorney of this Court is admitted Counsell for the said
Smith in this Cause.

Luke Raven Henry Sayer and Geo: Webster being Summoned to appear in this Court
were called who made their personall appearance and discharged

The Grand Jury being called came into Court and delivered their Respective
presentments viz. against William Morris for Blasphemy: against
Daniell Fox for Felony, and against Jacob Leton for trading with
Indians contrary to the Statute: which said Bills were by the
Grand Jury Endorsed Billa vera: &c

The Grand Jury likewise presented an other Bill to the Court against
John Alley for Murder, Endorsed Billa vera.

In the following Bill, viz. against William Reed for Felony, &c
against Richard Mitchell for perjury and against Jane Stimpson for
Bigamy, all Endorsed (Ignoramus)

500: John White of Calvert County being summoned and not appearing and
Jurymen is fined by the Court five hundred pounds of tobacco

Luke Gardner of St Maryes County and John Edwards of Calvert County
made their appearance and are discharged by the Court.

John Alley of Calvert County committed to the custody of the Sheriff of St.
Maryes County upon Suspicion of Murder, there to remain till he be
discharged by due course of Law.

Luke Gardner of St Maryes County acknowledged himself Indebted in Fifty
thousand pounds of tobacco for Robert Fly of St Maryes County for his
prosecuting his Replevin against a Negro Girl named Judith in the
possession of William Flower of Charles County.