for length to a marked pine and drawing a line South to a marked pine three hundred
perches for breadth thence running down to the river side by a lined drawn East to
the first marked pine two hundred thirty four p.ches for length, by Consid.n of the same
Court which the said Rulid Gown from the said John Smith unjustly detained
& wrongfully withheld, wherefore Commaund you that to him the said John Smith full and ample
poss.n of in and into the s.d land and premises with the appurtenances w.th all dela
you cause to be had and given and how you shall Execute this writt that you make
to appear unto our Justices of our prov.l Court to be held at Annapolis the second
tuesday of Aprill next and have then there this writt Witness Hen.y Holland
Esq.r Chief Justice of our said Court the 25.th day of Sept.br in the first year of our reigne
& Anno Dom.i 1714

(Hen. Holland)

Which said Second tuesday of Aprill to wit the 12.th day of the
same month Anno Dom.i 1715 being the day of the ret.n of the said writt Comes of the
of Somerset Cty to whom the same was directed and made return thereof by
Court hereunto in these words viz.t — By vertue of the within precept to me
directed Hartsfield Justices within mentioned that I have given full and
ample poss.n of in and unto the within Land and premises with the appurtenances
unto the within named John Smith on the fourth day of March 1714 as
within I am Commanded — Jo. Atkinson Deputy Sheriff

Pl. John Coutts — Mr. the pl.ff sued out his Maj.ties writt of Error
vs. Philemon Hemsly and Mary his wife — dat.d the Error of which follows in these words viz.t
GEORGE by the grace of God of Great Britaine France
and Ireland King defender of the faith &c. to the Judges of Charles
County greeting whereas at our prov.l Court held at the City of
Annapolis for the province of Maryland on the twenty first day of
September last past before the honr.ble Thomas Smith and Jam.s Gordon Esq.rs
then Justices of our said prov.l Court a certain Philemon Hemsley and Mary
his wife lead sued and impleaded a certain John Coutts of Charles County in a certain plea
plaintiff that whereas the s.d John Coutts at Charles County in a certain plea
called Pottobacco took the goods and chattels which were of the s.d John
Coutts at the time of his death (to wit) one negro man named Tom of the
price of forty p.ds sterling and him unjustly detained & withheld
wherefore they said they were the worse and damaged to the value of
fifty pounds sterling money and thereof they brought their suit &c. It was
therefore so far proceeded in our said Court that the said Philemon
Hemsley and Mary his wife as aforesaid should take nothing by their writ
and that be in Mercy for their false Clamour therein and that the said John
Coutts should go thence without day &c. and that he should have ret.n of
the Negro aforesaid to be detained unto him irrepleviable for ever and that the
said John Coutts by the statute ought to recover against the said Philemon
Hemsley and Mary his wife the damages which he has
(sustained)

sustained by occasion of the premises aforesaid but because it is unknown to our said Justices
what damages the said John Coutts has sustained by occasion thereof Command you
that by the oath of twelve honest and lawfull men of your County you diligently
inquire what damages the said John Coutts has sustained by occasion of the premises
aforesaid besides his Costs and Charges by him about his said suit in this behalf expended and
that the Inquisition thereof you shall take to our Justices of our prov.l Court to be
held at Annapolis the second tuesday of Aprill next under your hands and seales
the hands and seales of those by whom it shall be made & shall make Inquisition you make
appear and thereof shall not be your peril and have you then there this writt Witness
John Holland Esq.r Chief Justice of our said Court the 25.th day of Sept.br in the first year of
our reigne & Anno Dom.i 1714 — Jo. Bradley Cler. Cur. — Jo. Hall

Which said Second tuesday of Aprill to wit the 12.th day of the same month
Anno Dom.i 1715 being the day of the return of the said writt Comes the sheriff of
Charles County to whom the same was directed and made return thereof to the
Court here endorsed in these words viz.t — Countermanded, Jo.n Hanson sheriff

Pl. James Atkinson vs. Def. Walter Lane — This being an action of trespass wherein the sheriff of Somerset Cty
to whom the writt of James Atkinson was directed made
return thereof endorsed Cepi & Deny Warly sheriff —
Whereupon the said James Atkinson by Mr. Bradley his attorney appears and
imparles until next Court. And it is ordered that warr.t issue returnable next
Court —

Pl. Mr. Randall Greenberry Ex.r of Charles Greenberry vs. Def. Nicholas Fitzsymons — This being an action of debt for sume of
one hundred and twenty pounds sterling money
wherein the sheriff of Baltimore County to whom the
writt in the same action was directed make return thereof
endorsed — Cepi Corpus p.r John Dorsey sheriff. Bail to
The said def.t not appearing on the ret.n his bayle bond is assigned — Bill to assume
in the same Court the said def.t at the prayer of the pl.ff is adjudged to give special
bayle to the Relinquishment — Thereupon Thomas Randall and Lancelot Todd of Anne Arundel
County planters undertake and either of them undertake jointly and severally for the said
Nicholas Fitzsymons that in case the said Randall Greenberry Ex.r of Charles shall recover and
in the plea aforesaid against the said Nicholas Fitzsymons or that he the said Nicholas Fitzsymons
shall be therein Convict that then he the said Nicholas Fitzsymons shall pay the Condemnation
of the Court thereupon or render his body to the Custody of the sheriff of Baltimore County in
satisfaction thereof or they the said Thomas Randall and Lancelot Todd do one of them
write to pay the debt & damage — and thereupon the said Nicholas Fitzsymons by Dan. Dulany
his attorney appears and imparles until next Court

Pl. James Presbury vs. Def. Francis Dollahide — The said James Presbury sued out his maj.ties writt of Habeas
Corpus the tenor of which follows in these words viz.t

Maryland ss. — GEORGE by the grace of God of Great
Britain France and Ireland King defender of the
faith &c. to the Justices and sheriff of Baltimore County greeting —
(Whereas)