One of the Justices of the Provincial Court of this Province and under the Seale of the
said Court bearing date or Teste the Third day of December in the Year of our Lord God One
thousand seven hundred and fifteen to be Issued in the Name of our Soveraigne Lord George
by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King defender of the faith
&c. Commanding and requiring a Certaine John Drome then Sheriff of Talbot County
aforesd to Collect and Levy of and from every the persons mencioned in the List w.ch was
thereunto annexed the Severall and respective Sumes therein mencioned respectively to be
due by way of Execution upon the Body Goods or Chattels of every of them respectively
who should refuse or delay to make payment there of according to Law, And when the
the said Sheriff Should have the same so Collected and Levyed or any part there of he
Should make payment of the same or such part there of as he should so Collect and
Levy unto Thomas Macnemara Esq.r Attorney at Law or his Order with all Convenient speed
And in the aforesd List in the same Execution mentioned did Charge the aforesd Daniel Emory the
aforesd Sum of Two hundred pounds of Tobacco pretending the same Sum of Tobacco to be
due to him the said Thomas Macnemara for two Attorneys fees the One for Prosecuting
for the said Daniel in an Action by him brought ag.st a Certaine Wm Vaughan as Late
County Court And the Other for defending an Action brought by Robert Boyce ag.st
the said Dan.l in the aforesd Court when in truth no part of the aforesd Sum of Tobacco was due
to the aforesd Thomas Macnemara he not having been ever Imployed by
the said Daniel or any Other by his Appointment Either in bringing or defending
Either of the said Actions in great Contempt of the said Lord Proprietary and Contrary to the
forme of Divers Acts of Assembly of this Province

Wittnesses Mr John Drome
The Execution
Daniel Emorys Oath

Vera Billa — Samuell Chambers foreman

On the back of the aforesd Indictment was
Vera Billa — Samuell Chambers foreman

Whereupon the said Thomas Macnemara being called appears, And thereupon all
and singular the premisses being by the Court here read heard and fully understood
and mature deliberation thereupon had — It is Considered by the Justices here —
the 10.th day of Sept.r Anno Dom.i 17 That the Indictment aforesd for the Insufficiency
thereof be Quashed And that the said Thomas Macnemara Esq.r go thereof Quiet & without Day

His Lordship } In this Action there was an Indictment found ag.st the defft this Court
Nester Bedford and } And a Tryall had thereon, wherein the defft was found Guilty But
Mr Taylor Smith } the Court Entered a Cudiatur vult on the Judgm.t untill next Court and
defft thereupon was Committed into the Custody of the Sheriff of Anne Arundell County
as by the Entry thereof at large Entred next Court will more fully and at large
appear &c.

September Court 1717

His Lordship — — — Marylandss.
Abraham Johnson

The Jurors for Our Soveraigne Lord the King Whalmore is
the Lord Proprietarie of this province that now is &c. Upon their Oath do
present That Abraham Johnson of the County of Dorchester Labourer Otherwise Called
Malatto Abraham Johnson of Dorchester County Planter the fourteenth day of August
in the year of our Lord God One thousand seven hundred and Seventeen about the hour of
Eight in the afternoon of the same day with force and Armes that is to say Swords Pistols
Gunns and Staves of his Malice fore thought at Dorchester County aforesd upon a Certaine Mathew
Meale of the same County Planter then and there in the Peace of God Our said Lord the King
and the said Lord Proprietary being an assault did make and him the said Mathew Meale then
and there being did Beat Wound and Evilly entreat and with both the feet and left hand of
him the said Abraham Johnson did then and there the aforesd Mathew Meale forcibly
Kick and Strike upon the body and him the said Mathew Cast down to the Ground floor
That the said Mathew Meale from the same Eighth hour in the afternoone of the same
day by means of the aforesd Kicking Striking and Casting downe Languished until the third
hour in the night before the Noon of the fifteenth day of the same Month of March
in the year aforesd and then dyed And so the Jurors aforesd upon their Oath aforesd do say that the
aforesd Abraham Johnson the aforesd Mathew Meale in Manner and forme aforesd to wit at Dorchester
County aforesd the aforesd fifteenth day of March in the year aforesd Feloniously did Murder and Kill
against the Peace of our said Lord the King And the Lord Proprietary aforesd &c.

Wittnesses The Coroners Inquisition

Vera Billa — Samuell Chambers foreman

Whereupon the said Abraham Johnson being called appears and being presently demanded
how he would Acquit himself of the Premisses above Imposed Saith that he is
Not Guilty thereof And for Tryall puts himself upon God and the Country — And Thos
Bladen Esq.r his Lordships said Attorney Gen.l who for his said Lordship in this behalf
Prosecuteth Says he is Guilty and prays it may be Enquired into by the Country &c. Likewise

Whereupon Command is given to the Sheriff of Anne Arundell County that he Immediately
Cause to Come here twelve &c by whome &c who unto &c to recognize &c because as well the
Office.rs said precept the said Sheriff makes return that he has not ready twelve &c As by
this precept he was Commanded (to wit) James Moal Joseph Jobes Jam.s Ingram Jeffreys
John Ilo John Derrick Alex.r Magruder Wm Hood Thomas Letchworth &c. Foster
Michael Birnn Ebenezar Blackstone and Wm Head, who being duly Elected tryed and
Sworn to well and truly try and true deliverance make between Our Soveraigne Lord
the King the Lord Proprietary and the said Abraham Johnson Prisoner at the Bar
upon their Oath do Say that the said Abraham Johnson (being present here in Court) is
Guilty of Homiside by Chaunce medly but that they found no Goods or Chattells of
(the)