to Order of Law & his Conscience that he should seal all process by him sealed of the
Court aforesaid & prosecuted wth the Seal of the Same Court & should have Care to satisfye ye said
Lady the Queen & the said Chief Justice for the Same; And whereas also the Same Thomas
by all the time afs^d that he as afs^d had been one of the Attorneys of the s^d Prov^ll Court well
& According to the Rule of his said Oath in all things did Govern & behave himself and
all manner of Businesses in the Said Provincial Court of our said Lady the Queen and
Elsewhere for his Clients, well honestly diligently & faithfully, as their Attorney to his
power & knowledge by all the time afs^d without any Negligence gravity falsity deceit
Extortion or Guile whatsoever he did do and dispatch, by pretence whereof the Same
Thomas as an Attorney of the s^d Prov^ll Court of ye s^d Lady the Queen afs^d, divers great
Gaines and profitts of divers of the Lege people of the Said Lady the Queen his Clients
in the Prov^ll Court of the Said Lady the Queen afs^d in Acting and prosecuting their
Causes afs^d by all the time afs^d, for the Sustentation of him the s^d Thomas and his
whole family Justly and honestly he did gain and Get Nevertheless the afs^d John
well knowing the premisses but Envying the happy Estate fame & Condition of the
Said Thos^. & Endeavouring and endeavouring not only to hurt detract deprave & blemish
and utterly destroy the good Name fame State opinion & Estimation of him the said
Thomas, but also to bring him the s^d Thos^. into hatred Scandall Reproach Evill Opinion
Infamy Displeasure & Mistrust amongst all as well honr^ble as Venerable Men, and the
Clients whose Atting the Same Thomas in the Prov^ll Court afs^d is, & him from his practice
of an Atting to be debarred to Cause, the third day of October in the Year of our Lord God
one thousand Seven hundred and twelve at the City of Annapolis in Annarundell
County before William Holland Esqr Chief Justice of her Majesty's Prov^ll Court
of Maryland did falsely Injuriously & of his Malice forethought and without
any Just or reasonable Cause, Swear that he the Said Thomas the fourth Day
of October in the fifth Year of the Reign of our Lady the Queen that now is at the
County of Annarundell afs^d being one of the Attorneys of the Prov^ll Court of Maryland
did by Colour of his Office afs^d then & there Extortiously and Injuriously take and Exact
from a Certain John Brannock of Dorchester County Gent for his Attorneys fees in
defending the Said Jno in two Actions of Debt at y^e Suits of a Certain Edwards Somer-
=set Esqr in y^e Same Court Sixteen hundred pounds of Tob: afs^d the tenor of
y^e s^d Thomas's Oath of Attorney in y^e s^d Court, and in further prosecution of his
Malice afs^d and in Order to hurt and Annoy him the Said Thos^. in his Name Estate
and Condition and to Cause him to be turned out of y^e Roll of Attorneys of the Said
Court, and from his Said practice of an Attorney to be debarred, and that he the Said
Thomas should be defamed and as an Extortioner and a perjured Man to be typed
falsely and Maliciously, and without any Lawfull or Just Cause did again impose the
Crime of Extortion ag^st him the Said Thomas, and the Seventh Day of October in the
Year of our Lord God one thousand Seven hundred and twelve at the City of Annapolis
in Annarundell County at a Prov^ll Court of our Sovereign Lady the Queen then
and there held before the Honble Thomas Smithson Esqr and his Associates Justices
of the Peace in ye afs^d province of Maryland to keep and divers Felonies trespasses
and other Misdemeanours in the Same province committed & done to hear & determine
assigned did Cause to be written a Certain Bill of Indictm^t ag^st him the s^d Thomas in
Paper containing in it Selfe these false feigned & Leandalous Matter following
(that is to Say) — Maryland ss — The Jurors for our Sovereign Lady the Queen
of Great Britain that now is (to wit) John Bozman, John Taney, Notley
(Maddox)

Maddox, Edwd Reazer, Wm Denton, Arnold Elzey, Wm Willoughby, Wm Stevens, James Moore,
Henry Austin, Hugate Reeves, Joseph Hamilton, Wm Sweatman, James Heach, Joshua Cecill,
Paul Busey, Thos^. Taylor, Patrick Dunkin, Thos^. Tolly, Thos^. Thackstone, Wm Gray, Jonathan Beck
and Thomas Price, — good and Lawfull Men Elected tryed & Sworn to Speak the truth upon
their Oath, present Thomas Macnemara of the City of Annapolis in St^. Anns Parish
in Annarundell County Esqr otherwise Called Thomas Macnemara of ye Port of Annapolis
in Anne Arundell County Gent for that he the Said Thomas Macnemara the fourth Day
of October in the fifth Year of our Said Lady the Queen at the County afs^d being one of the
Attorneys of the provincial Court of this province did by Colour of his Office afs^d then and
there Extortiously and injuriously take and Exact from a Certain John Brannock
of Dorchester County Gent for his Attorneys fees in defending the Said John in two
Actions of Debt at the Suits of a Certain Edwards Somerset Esqr in the Same Court
Sixteen hundred pounds of Tobacco ag^st the tenour of the Same Thomas's Oath of Attorney
in the Said Court to the great damage of the Said John ag^st the peace of our Said Lady the
Queen p^ds. And the Said John y^e afs^d Bill of Indictment in form afs^d made and written
Containing in it Selfe the afs^d false feigned and Leandalous Matter Supposed to be per=
=sented to the Jurors of our Said Lady the Queen of the grand Inquest to Inquire for the
p^d Lady the Queen for y^e body of y^e province afs^d then and there Charged and Sworn as
a true Bill Maliciously then & there ag^st him the Said Thomas did Exhibitt And the
Said John although he well knew all and Singular the premisses in the Said Bill of
Indictm^t afs^d above Contained to have been false feigned Leandalous & Contrary to
truth then & there being upon the Holy Gospel of God in due manner Sworn to
give true Evidence of & upon the afs^d Bill of Indictm^t to the Said Jurors of the afs^d
Grand Inquest then & there falsely and Maliciously & without any reasonable or
Just Cause upon his Oath afs^d to the Same Jurors did avouch & affirm the Matter
afs^d in the afs^d Bill of Indictm^t So as afs^d written & Contained to have been true,
where indeed the whole Matter afs^d in the Same Bill of Indictment as afs^d was
false and Contrary to truth and by the Said John falsely & Maliciously was con=
=trived and devised to trouble and defame the Said Thomas and to get him turned
out of the Roll of Attorneys of the Said Court and after that y^e s^d John then & there
had given Evidence upon the Bill afs^d to the Same Jurors of the Grand Inquest afs^d the
Same Jurors then and there to the Justices of ye provincial Court afs^d did give their
Answer that they the Said Jurors were of the Same Matter in the Bill as is finished
Contained) altogether Ignorant by pretence whereof the Said Thomas is not only
grievously wounded in his Good Name fame and Estimation afs^d but also he is
Many Ways hindered in doing of divers of his Lawfull & honest Business fees, and by
Means of the Said Malicious prosecut^n afs^d lost Considerable Sums of Tobacco in fees which
Severall Persons would have given him had it not been for the s^d prosecut^n and the Same Thomas
was Compelled to Expend and disburse great Sums of Tobacco in and about his Discharge &
purgation of & from the s^d Supposed Extortion upon him as afs^d Imposed, and for the Manifes=
=tation & declaration of his innocency in that behalf to the Damage of him the s^d
Thomas five hundred pounds Sterling and thereof he brings Suit &c

p^ltff dem^rs Jno Doe

R. Roe

And the Said John Brannock by Thomas Bordley his Attorney comes & defends the force
and Injury when &c: and prays Leave to imparle hereunto untill Next Court & he hath it
and the Same Day is given to the plaintiff Also.

(All)