thing in the said Inquisition he is not Guilty in Such manner & form as by the same inquisition it is Supposed & of that he putteth himself upon the County and Michael Howard who passe=th for his Lordship the said Lord Propry that now is for the same Lord Propry in like manner & afterward to wit the same Day & Year aft at the place aft before the said Justices the aft David Poterkin relinquishing his Verification aft by him above mentioned Saith that he Cannot Deny the Inquisition aft nor but that he is Guilty of the Entry & forcable Detainor aft in the Inquisition aft Specifyed in Manner & form as by the same Inquisition above against him it is Supposed & the Entry & forcable Detainor aft in the Inquisition aft above Specifyed & Confessly acknowledgeth & immediately by the Justices aft it is asked of the same Daniel Bruffitt & Thomas Sharpless if any thing for themselves they have or to say know wherefore the said Justices here to Judgment of them upon their Conviction aft by their proper Acknowledgment of the Entry & forcable Detainor in the inquisition aft Specified to prowed ought not who nothing further Say only as before they had said & immediately afterward by the said Justices it was asked of the said David Poterkin if any thing for himself he hath or to say knoweth wherefore the said Justices here to Judgmt of him upon his Conviction aft by his proper Acknowledgment of the Entry & forcable Detainor aft in the Inquisition aft Specified to prowed ought not who nothing further — Saith only that he did not make a forcable Entry into the Lands & premises in the said Inquisition mentioned that would have the said Traverse tryed by a Petit Jury Whereupon all & Singular the premised by the said Justices here being seen & understood It is Considered by the same Justices here that the said Daniel Bruffet do pay unto the aft Lord Propry for his fine by the said Justices here upon him imposed for & by reason of the Entry & forcable Detainor aft whereof in form aft he is Convicted the Sum of five Shillings Current Money that the said Thomas Sharpless do pay unto the same Lord Propry for his fine by the said Justices here upon him imposed for & by Reason of the Entry & forcable Detainor aft whereof in form aft he is Convicted the Sum of five Shillings like Money & the aft Daniel Bruffet & Thomas Sharpless present here before the said Justices are at the Prayer of the said Michael Howard Committed to the Custody of the Sheriff of Dorchester County aft in Execution for the fynes aft there to remain untill &c And it is further Considered by the same Justices here & by the same Commanded at the earnest request of the said David Poterkin to the Sheriff of the said County that he shoud Cause to Come in the County Court house at Cambridge Town in the said County before the Justices aft on the Seventeenth Day of the said Month of June in the said — Inquisition mentioned to Shew & wh &c to Rorequize & Recauses as well &c —— And the same Day is given as well to the said David Poterkin as to the said Michael Howard who &c At which Seventeen Day of June the said Lord Propry his Writ of Certiorari hereunto Annexed issuing out of the Provincial Court of this Province the Fifteenth Day of June aft & bearing Date the twenty Second Day of May last is Delivered to the aft Justices And the aft Michael Howard who &c And the said David Poterkin do Come before the said Justices here upon the said Seventeenth Day of June & the Sheriff doth not thereof return his Writ & therefore as before it is Commanded to the Sheriff of the said County that he should Cause to Come here before the Justices aft on the tenth Day of July next following twelve &c who &c to Rorequize &c Recauses &c & the same Day is given to the said Michael Howard who &c & to the same David Poterkin also — At which Day before the said Justices in the said Court house do Come as well the said David Poterkin as a Certain William Birkingham Attorney at Law duly Substituted & appointed By & by the said Michael Howard to prosecute for his said Lordship the Inquisition & plea aft And thereupon Henry Tripp Henry Lunalls Junr James Brown Joseph Alford William Clarkson William Spencer John Andrew, George Andrew Charles Wheeler John Anderson John Lorompt & Samuel Ireland by the said Sheriff to this being — (impannelled)

impannelled & here Called Do Come to their to say the truth in the premises being Elected tryed & Sworn upon their Oaths do say that the aft David Poterkin of the Entry = forcable detainor & premises above upon him Imposed in the Inquisition aft Specifyed is guilty in manner & form as by the said Inquisition above against him it is Supposed And thereupon it is Demanded of him if any thing for himself he hath or to say knoweth wherefore the said Justices here to Judgment of him upon the premises to prowed ought not who nothing further Saith only as before he had said Whereupon all & Singular the premises by the said Justices here being seen & understood It is Considered by the same Justices that the said David Poterkin do pay unto the said Lord Propry for his fyne by the Justices here upon him imposed for & by Occasion of the Entry & forcable Detainor aft whereof in form aft he is Convicted the Sum of five Shillings Current Money of this Province And the said David Poterkin present here before the said Justices at the Prayer of the said Wm Birkingham is Committed to the Custody of the Sheriff of the said County in Execution for the fyne aft there to remain untill &c And it is further Considered by the same Justices here that the High Sheriff of Dorchester County do give to the said Mespuage & Six hundred Acres of plantable Land & other the premises in the said Inquisition mentioned and Cause the same with the Appurtenances to be possessed & the aft Charles Shapleford & Thomas Shapleford & Elizabeth Taylor to be restored thereunto & to their full possession thereof in as large & Ample Manner as they were before the said Entry & forcable Detainor were made. In Testimony whereof We the said Henry Lunalls & Anthony Rawlings to these presents Do put our hands & Seals this first Day of October Anno Dom 1701

Henry Lunalls (Seal)
Anth Rawlings (Seal)

And now here at this Day to wit the said 19th Day of October Anno Dom 1701 Comes into his Lordships Provincial Court as well the said Michael Howard by his Lordships Attorney Generall who &c as the said David Poterkin by Richard Francis his Attorney And the said David Poterkin by his Attorney aft files the following Recognizance Viz.t

Maryland ss

We David Poterkin of Dorchester County Planter & Richard Francis of the City of Annapolis Scrivl do hereby acknowledge our selves & Each of us our Heirs Exrs Admrs & Every of them Jointly & Severally to become bound & indebted unto Elizabeth Taylor of Dorchester County Spinster in the full & just Sum of fifty Pounds Sterling to be Levyed upon our bodies Goods Lands & Tenements upon this Condition that if the said David Poterkin at the return of a Writ of Certiorari now issued to Recinque an Inquisitia or Indictment taken before Henry Lunalls & Anthony Rawlins Esqrs two Justices of the Peace of Dorchester County of a forcable Entry and Detainer by the said David Poterkin of a Tract of Land Called by the Name of Hora doth not appear & plead to the said Inquisition or Indictment in the Provincial Court & at his own Costs shall not procure the Issue that shall be joyned upon the said Indictment or Inquisition or any plea relating thereto to be tryed at the next Assizes for the said County of Dorchester after the said Certiorari shall be so returned as aft or at any other time if any other time shall be appointed by the said Court for the tryal thereof & shall not give due Notice of such tryal to the said Elizabeth Taylor & her Attorney and also if the said David Poterkin doth not appear from Day to Day in the said Provincial Court & Doth not Depart — untill he be discharged by the same Court —

Taken & Acknowledged this 30th Day of June 1701
Benjn Taskes —

And whereupon the said David Poterkin by his Attorney aft insisted that the Certificate so as aft Granted was a Supersedeas to the Justices in their Proceedings aft —

Whereupon all & Singular the premises being by the Court here seen & heard fully (understood)