The Court Adjourn'd until the Second Tuesday of April next

Test R Burgis Cl.

April Sessn 1716.

Marylandss.

At a Provincial Court held at the City of Annapolis in Annes Arundle County in and for the Province aforesd on the Second Tuesday of April being the eighth day of the same Month and in the 31st Year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable Charles Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. Anno Domini 1716.

Present.

The Honourable — Philip Thomas Esquire Chief Justice; Benjamin Young, Robert Gordon, John Brice, William Rogers, John Darnall Esquires Justices

William Thornton Esquire Sheriff

R Burgis Cl

Proclamation made in usual form

Summons ordered and issued for Mary Dixon to Warrant for his Lordships against William Talbot to be Answerable immediately

The following New Commission Produced and read in the words following Viz.

Marylandss. Charles, Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. To Philip Thomas, Benjamin Young, George Dent, Robert Gordon, John Brice, William Rogers, John Darnal, John Hepburn, Robert Lenthion, Henry and Richard Tilghman, Greeting Know ye that We have assigned you and every of you jointly and severally your Justices to keep our Peace in our Province of Maryland and to do equal Law and Right to all the Kings Subjects Rich and Poor according to the Laws Customs and Practices of this Province and the Acts of Assembly of this Province so far as they Provide and where they are silent according to the Laws Statutes and Reasonable Customs of England as used and Practised within this Province for the Conservation of the Peace and for the quiet Rule and Government of the Kings Subjects in our said Province and to Chastise and Punish all persons offending against the forms of those Acts Customs Laws and Statutes or any of them as according to the forms of the same Acts Customs Laws and Statutes shall be done: We have also assigned you the said Philip Thomas Chief Justice of our said Court Willing and by these presents Constituting and Authorizing that our said Chief Justice and Justices aforesaid or any two or more of them of which you the said Philip Thomas Benjamin Young George Dent Robert Gordon and John Brice or any of your shall be alway one Justice Sufficient should about as well to Enquire by the Oath of Good and Lawfull men of our said Province by whom the truth of the matter may be the better known as of all and all manner of Murders Unnatural Misprisions of Treasons Felonies Witchcrafts Inchantments Sorceries Arts Magick Trespasses Forestallings Ingrossings Regratings and Extortions Whatsoever and all Pleas as well Touching and relating unto our Sovereign Lord the King as our self and the Conservation of our Peace within our said Province as also for the holding of our Court of Common Pleas and the hearing and Determining of all manner of Actions Civil Real Personal and mixt within our said Province And therefore We Command you and every of you Diligently Intent the keeping of our Peace and the said Customs Laws and Statutes aforesaid and all and Singular the Premises and that at Certain Days and Places which you or any two of you aforesaid Shall in that behalf appoint you make Enquiry of and upon the Premises and hear and Determine your Sessions and fulfill the same doing therein what to Justice appertain according to the Laws Customs and Directions of the Acts of Assembly of this Province so far as they shall Provide and where they are silent according to the Laws Statutes and reasonable Customs of England as used and Practised

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