Three pair of Buckskin Breeches of the Value of four pounds Current Money — Seven Yards of Brown Silk Cloath of the Value of fifty Shillings Current Money and two Shamoney Skins of the Value of two Shillings and Six pence Current Money of the Goods and Chattles of the aforesaid John Brice then in the Said Store house being then and there feloniously Stole took and thence Carried away against the Peace of the Said Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary his good Rule and Government and against the form of the Act of Assembly in Such Case made and Provided. —

Stephen Bordley
Q. proprio

Witnesses
John Brice
James Hill
Benjamin Beall
William Browne

On the Back of the aforegoing Indictment was thus Endorsed to wit A True Bill. Rich. Macubbin Foreman.

And the Said Henry Widdon being called upon appears at the Bar of the Court here (under the Custody of the Sheriff of AnnArundel County to whose Custody for the Crime aforesaid he was heretofore Committed) and being demanded how he of the Premises aforesaid above on him Imposed will acquit himself says that he is in no wise thereof Guilty and thereof for good and Evil puts himself upon God and the Country and Stephen Bordley Esquire Attorney General of the Said Lord Proprietary who &c. pray that it may be Enquired of by the Country in like manner. And thereupon the Said Henry Widdon is again Committed to the Custody of the Sheriff of AnnArundel County there to remain until &c. who being present took Charge of him accordingly. And now here at this day to wit the Second Tuesday of September being the thirteenth day of the same Month Anno Dom. One thousand Seven hundred and Fifty Seven it is Considered by the Justices of the Court here that the Said Henry Widdon be discharged of the Indictment and Premises aforesaid Provided he departs this Province within Six Months from the Sixteenth day of this Instant September and never return thereto The Said Henry Widdon being present here in Court consents to the Same. —

Ordered that Thomas Loveday, Samuel Roundel and Samuel Magruder be excused from their Attendance here this Court as Grand Jurors —

Ordered that James Chaplin, William Nutter, Thomas Talbot and John Attaway Clerk be excused from their Attendance here this Court as Petit Jurors.

1Ds. The Lord Proprietary
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DD. Stephen Lawood —

Memorandum the Defendant Sued out his Lordships writ of Certiorari the Tenor whereof follows in these words.



Maryland Ss. Frederick Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. To Robert Hammett and Thomas Greenfield two of our Justices of our Peace in the County of Saint Marys and divers Felonies Trespasses and other Misdeeds in the Same County Committed to hear and determined Assigned Greeting We being willing that all presentments Indictments Recognizances and Inquisitions Concerning Certain Trespasses and Contempts against the Form of Divers of the Statutes against forceable Entries and Detainers or any other Articles and Offences whereof Stephen Lawood Stands Indicted or Presented or Complained of before you on the Complaint of Benjamin Branson as it is Said Should be heard and determined before the Justices of our Provincial Court and not Else where do Command You that all and Singular the Indictments Presentments Recognizances and Inquisitions with all things Concerning the Same by what Name soever the Said Stephen Lawood be called or reputed under your Seals You Send to our Justices of our Provincial Court to be held at Annapolis the Third Tuesday of October next that our Said Justices of our Provincial Court may do therein that which of Right is to be done. Wittness John Brice Esquire Chief Justice of Our Provincial Court the twenty eighth day of May in the Sixth Year of our Dominion &c. Annoque Dom. One thousand Seven hundred and Fifty —

Wm Sligh Clk

Issued July 28. 1756.

Allowed per Jno Brice

To which Writ was annexed the following Recognizance to wit.

Maryland Ss. Be it Remembered that on the 25th. Day of September 1756 Stephen Lawood Philip Key and Philip Barton Key at Saint Mary's County and Province aforesaid Personally appeared before one one of his Lordships Justices of the Provincial Court and did acknowledge that they were Indebted to his Lordship the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary in the Sum of Twenty pounds Sterling that is to Say the Said Stephen Lawood in the Sum of Twenty pounds Sterling lawful Money of Great Britain Philip Key and Philip Barton Key in the Sum of Twenty pounds like Money each to be Severally made and Levied of their Goods and Chattels Lands and Tenements for the use of his Said Lordship his heirs and Successors if Default Shall be made in the Condition under written.

The Condition of this Recognizance is Such that whereas the Said Stephen Lawood hath prosecuted his Lordships Writ of Certiorari returnable to the next Provincial to be held at Annapolis on the third Tuesday in October next to remove into the Said Court all Presentments Indictments Recognizances and Inquisitions concerning Certain Trespasses and Contempts against the Form of Divers of the Statutes against forceable Entrys and Detainers or any other Articles of Offences whereof the Said Stephen Lawood Stands Indicted or Prosecuted or Complained

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