Samuel Sears. vs Catharine Ridley admx of Matthew Ridley. } Same Judgment mutatis mutandis as Murray and Sansom against same, for the penalty & costs: to be released on payment of £1900.- Sterling money with Interest thereon at 5 p.cent from the 11th day of July 1787. until paid & costs.

Wallace, Johnson and Muir vs Same. } Same Judgment Mutatis Mutandis as Murray and Sansom against same, for the penalty & costs: to be released on payment of £826.12.0 Sterling money with Interest thereon from the 31st day of May 1789. until paid & costs.

Test John Irwinn Clerk.

Nace Butler against Richard Bond. } Be it remembered that heretofore to wit on the Twenty first day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety; Nace Butler by Henry Ridgely his Attorney preferred and filed in the General Court here his Petition for freedom against Richard Bond; which is in form following to wit. — To the Honorable the Judges of the General Court The petition of Nace Butler humbly Sheweth that he is held as a Slave by Richard Bond of Saint Marys County altho he is entitled to his freedom, being descended from a free white Woman whose name was Eleanor Butler, your Petitioner is the Son of Eleanor Butler, who was the Daughter of Sarah Butler, who was the daughter of Eleanor Butler the free Woman — aforesaid. — He therefore prays your honours to take his Case into Consideration, and discharge him from the Custody of the said Richard Bond, and that Summonses may Issue for his Witnesses and So forth. H. Ridgely for Petitioner —

Whereupon in pursuance of the Rule of the Court here in Such cases made and provided, the Said Nace Butler by his Attorney aforesaid, on the Seventh day of December in the year aforesaid, prosecuted and Sued forth out of the General Court here, the writ of the State of Maryland of Subpena adrespondendum against the Said Richard Bond, directed to the Sheriff of Saint Marys County in form following to wit — The State of Maryland ss. To the Sheriff of Saint Marys County Greeting We Command you that you Summon Richard Bond of Saint Marys County that all excuses and Delays set aside he be and appear before the Judges of Our General Court

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to be held at the City of Annapolis on the Second Tuesday of May next to answer the Petition of Nace Butler prefered against him for freedom Hereof he is not to fail and fail not at your Peril and have you then and there this writ Witness the Honourable Thomas Johnson Esquire Chief Judge of our Said Court the 28th day of November Anno Domini 1790.

Issued the 7th day of December 1790. H. Ridgely, Jno. Irwinn Cl.

At which Said Second Tuesday of May being the Tenth day of the Said month in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and ninety one, and the day of the return of the aforegoing Summons Comes into the General Court here the Said Nace Butler by his Attorney aforesaid; and the Sheriff of Saint Marys County aforesaid to whom the Said Summons was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit —

Summoned P. Ford, Sheriff. —

Whereupon comes into the General Court here the Said Richard Bond by Philip Barton Key his Attorney: And Thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid, between the parties aforesaid, by order of the Court here is continued until the Second Tuesday of October next; the Same day is given to the parties aforesaids then and So forth. —

At which Said Second Tuesday of October being the Eleventh day of the Said month in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and ninety one, come again into the General Court here, as well the Said Nace Butler by his Attorney aforesaid as the Said Richard Bond by his Attorney aforesaid; Thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid, by order of the Court here is further Continued until the Second Tuesday of May next; the Same day is given to the parties aforesaid, then and So forth: —

At which Said Second tuesday of May being the Eighth day of the Said month in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and ninety two, come again into the General Court here as well the Said Nace Butler by his Attorney aforesaid, as the Said Richard Bond by his Attorney aforesaid. Thereupon, further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid, by order of the Court here is further Continued until the Second Tuesday of October next; the Same day is given to the parties aforesaid, then and So forth. —

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