Joseph Butler (sa) proves one day attendance this term as a Witness for Clement Sheales against Raphael Neale, order given for 80 Tob.

John Suter a subject of the King of Great Britain appears in open Court and prays to be admitted to become a citizen of the United States and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that he had resided within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States previous to the passing of the act of the Congress of the United States of America passed at a second session of the third Congress begun and held at the city of Philadelphia in the state of Pennsylvania on Monday the third day of November seventeen hundred and ninety four, entitled "An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the act heretofore passed on that subject" and that during the term of two years he has behaved as a man of good moral character attached to the Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order & happiness of the same: The said John Suter is naturalized as a citizen of the United States of America by taking the Oath required by the said act to wit: "That he has resided two years at least within and under the jurisdiction of the United States and one year at least within the state of maryland; that he will support the Constitution of the United States; and that he doth absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince potentate state or sovereignty whatever, and particularly to the King & Crown of Great Britain whereof he was before a subject" whereupon the said John Suter is admitted by the court to become a citizen of the said United States and is hereafter to be deemed, adjudged and taken for a natural born citizen of the United States of America according to the provisions in the said act contained.

Joseph Butler (sa) proves five days attendance at May Term 1795 as a Witness for Clement Sheales against Raphael Neale - order for 400 Tob.

Henry Hopkins & al Lessees } Ejectment
John Threlkeld } In this Cause Judgment has been entered this Term for the plaintiff: and before this day the plaintiff has sued forth a writ of Habere facias possessionem to cause possession of the premises to be delivered to him which writ is made returnable to the next Term: and now at this day the Defendant by his attorney prays leave to appeal from the Judgment of this court so as aforesaid rendered in the premises to the state's High Court of appeals and the same is hereby granted to the said Defendant whereupon the said Defendant files in Court here a Bond pursuant to the act of assembly and the security therein being approved by the Court. The Court do thereupon order that the sheriff of Montgomery County to whom the aforesaid writ of Habere facias possessionem has been directed that he desist from proceeding under the said writ agreeable to the command therein contained to deliver possession of the premises in the said writ mentioned to the said plaintiff: and if the said sheriff has already delivered possession to the said plaintiff under and in virtue of the command of the said writ It is hereby ordered by the court that the said sheriff shall without delay restore and redeliver to the Defendant full & ample possession of the said premises so by him delivered to the said plaintiff there to remain untill &c.

William Campbell (ac) is allowed Eight hundred and Eighty pounds of Tobacco for eleven days attendance of his negro man red at the last term as a Witness for the State of Maryland against negroes Cesar & others slaves of Jacob Franklin who were acquitted - affidavit filed.

Hugh McCurdy } Debt
vs } The former Judgment struck out
James Carlisle } Judgment for £79.5.0 Debt & £50 Dmgs & 8/ Dmgs to be released on payment of Interest on the Debt from the 21 Dec. 1792. till paid.

Elizabeth Butler against Joseph Simmes

Be it remembered that heretofore to wit on the fourteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety Elizabeth Butler by Gabriel Duvall her attorney preferes to the Court here her petition for freedom against Joseph Simmes in form following to wit.

To the honourable the Judges of the General Court.

The Petition of Elizabeth Butler humbly shewes that she is held as a slave by Joseph Sims of Charles county, although she is entitled to her freedom, being descended from a free woman. your petitioner is the daughter of Ann Butler who was the daughter of Henrietta Butler who was the daughter of Ann Butler who was the Daughter of Eleana Butler a free woman. she therefore prayeth that your honours would take her case into consideration and discharge her from the custody of the aforesaid Joseph Sims and that summonses may issue for her Witnesses and so &c.

G Duvall for petitioner

Thereupon it is ordered by the court here that the writ of the State of Maryland of subpoena ad respondendum issue against the said Joseph Simmes to answer unto the said Petition and so &c. and the same accordingly issues directed to the sheriff of Charles county, in form following to wit.

The State of Maryland ss: To the sheriff of Charles County Greeting We command you that you summon Joseph Sims late of Charles county that all excuses and delays set aside he be and appear before the judges of our General Court to be held at the City of Annapolis on the second Tuesday of may next to answer the petition of Elizabeth Butler preferred against him for Freedom herein 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 24 day of November anno Domini 1790.

Issued the 7th day of December 1790

G Duvall, Jas Gwinn Clk.

The same day is given to the said Elizabeth Butler there and so &c.

At which said second Tuesday of may being the tenth day of the same 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 Elizabeth Butler by her attorney aforesaid, and the sheriff of Charles county to whom the said Summons was in form aforesaid directed makes return thereof to the court here they endorsed to wit.

Ch. Th. A Dyson Sheriff

(and)