claim or title to the same do advise you to appear to the same at the next April Term in Baltimore County Court by some attorney of that Court, and then and there by rule to be made in the same to cause yourself to be made Defendant in my stead, otherwise I shall suffer Judgment to be entered against me and you will be turned out of possession.

To Yr. loving Friend

Edward Norwood Senr. T. Nolitle Decr. 27th 1797.

And now here at this day to wit the first Monday in April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight cometh the said John Nokes by James Winchester his attorney, and now here cometh the said Edward Norwood by Walter Dorsey his attorney, And it is ordered by the Court here, with the assent of James Winchester the Plaintiffs attorney and Walter Dorsey the attorney of Edward Norwood who claims the title in question, that the said Edward Norwood be admitted defendant and that he doth immediately appear by his attorney aforesaid who is to receive a Declaration and plead thereto the General issue this term and at the Trial thereupon to be had the said Edwd. Norwood shall appear in his proper person or by his Counsel or attorney and confess lease, entry and actual ouster and expulsion of so much of the Tenements mentioned in the plaintiffs Declaration as is in the possession of the said Defendant or his Tenant or of any other person claiming by or under his Title or in Default thereof that Judgment be entered against the Defendant Timothy Nolitle the casual Ejector but that prosecution be stayed against him until he makes default in any of the premises, and by consent of Counsel, It is further ordered that if by reason of such default the plaintiff shall become non suit at the trial the said Edward Norwood shall take no advantage thereof but shall pay to the plaintiff his costs &c.

Baltimore County fs. Edward Norwood late of Baltimore county yeoman was attached to answer John Nokes of a plea why with force and arms he entered upon the following tracts of land situate in Baltimore County that is to say, all that tract of land called United Friendship otherwise called the United Friendship containing seven hundred acres, also all that other tract of land called Ludlows Lott containing two hundred acres, also all that other tract of land called Larkins Addition containing four hundred acres, also all that other tract of land called Lloyd & Ludlows Lott, containing two hundred acres with the appurtenances to the said tracts of land

belonging which Charles Ridgely and Ruth his wife leased to the said John Nokes for a term which is not yet expired and ejected him the said John Nokes from the Tracts of land aforesaid, and did to him other wrongs to the great damage of the said John Nokes, against the peace Government and Dignity of the State of Maryland &c. And whereupon the same John Nokes by James Winchester his attorney complains that whereas the said Charles Ridgely and Ruth his wife on the first day of January Anno Domini seventeen hundred and ninety six at the county aforesaid had leased to the said John Nokes the Tracts of land and premises aforesaid, with the appurtenances, to have and to hold the same to the said John Nokes and his assigns to the full end and term of fifty years thence next ensuing, and fully to be complete and ended, by virtue of which said lease, he the said John Nokes, entered into the tracts of land and premises aforesaid with the appurtenances, and was thereof possessed and he the said John being so thereof possessed he the said Timothy afterwards to wit on the second day of January seventeen hundred and ninety six entered with force arms into the tenements and premises aforesaid with the appurtenances, which the said Charles Ridgely and wife had demised to the said John Nokes in the form aforesaid, for the said Term, and which is not yet expired, and ejected him from his said Term, and did to him other wrongs, to the great damage of him the said John Nokes and against the peace Government and dignity of the State of Maryland, wherefore he saith that he is injured and hath damage to the value of fifty pounds current money and thereupon he brings suit &c.

Jas. Winchester Pltffs Attyr.

And the said Edward Norwood by his said attorney produces to the Court now here The State of Maryland's writ of certiorari closed in the words and figures following viz. The State of Maryland Se. To the Justices of Baltimore county greeting: Whereas lately in our said Court Edward Norwood late of Baltimore County yeoman was attached to answer unto John Nokes Assignee of Charles Ridgely, and Ruth his wife of a plea of trespass and Ejectment and so forth which said plea is still depending before you our said Justices, in our said County Court as it is said undetermined, and we being desirous for certain reasons that the Record and proceedings in the plea aforesaid should by you be certified to us, do command you, that you send under your seals the Record of the proceedings aforesaid in the plea aforesaid with all things touching the same unto our General Court to be held at the City of Annapolis the second tuesday of May next plainly and distinctly and in as full and ample manner as it now remains before you together with this writ so that we may be able thereon to proceed and to do

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