Mary Waggaman
against
McGrath.....

The State of Maryland. To the Sheriff of Somerset County Greeting. Whereas at a General Court begun and held in Talbot County at the Court House in the County aforesaid in and for the Eastern Shore of the State aforesaid on the second Tuesday of September last before the Honourable William Paca Esquire chief Judge of our said Court and others his Associates then Judges of the same Court Mary Waggaman had sued and impleaded a certain John McGrath late of Somerset County for that Whereas the aforesaid John McGrath on the first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy and on divers days and times between that day & the day of the Impetration of the Writ in this Cause the close of the said Mary at Somerset County aforesaid called Refuge did break and enter and her Timber Trees there lately growing to wit two hundred black Oak Trees of the value of fifty Pounds Sterling. two hundred white Oaks of the value of fifty Pounds Sterling. one hundred Oaks of the value of twenty five Pounds Sterling. one hundred Hicories of the value of twenty five Pounds Sterling. one hundred Pines of the value of twenty five Pounds Sterling and one hundred Cyprus Trees of the value of twenty five Pounds Sterling did cut down take and carry away and other Enormities to her the said Mary then and there did to the great Damage of her the said Mary and against the Peace and so forth. Wherefore the said Mary saith she is the worse and hath Damage to the value of five hundred Pounds Sterling and therefore she brings suit and so forth. Pledges and so forth. John Doe and Richard Roe. Thomas Jennings for # Plaintiff. It was therefore so far proceeded in our said Court that the said Mary Waggaman ought to recover her Damages against the aforesaid John McGrath by means of the Premisses aforesaid but because it is unknown unto our said Judges what Damages the said Mary Waggaman have sustained Therefore We Command you that by the oath of twelve Honest and lawful Men of your Bailiwick diligently to enquire what Damages the said Mary Waggaman have sustained as well on the account aforesaid as for her Costs and Charges by Her about her suit in this behalf laid out and expended. And the Inquisition which you shall thereof make you have before the Judges of our General Court the second Tuesday of April next under your Seal and the Seals of those by whose Oath you make the same Inquisition # and have you then and there this Writ. Witness The Honourable William Paca Esqre chief Judge of our said Court this 21st day of September Anno Domini 1778. Thomas Jennings James Earle Clk

Issued the 16th day of January 1779.

At which aft^r second Tuesday of April seventeen hundred and seventy nine cometh the aft^r Mary Waggaman by Thomas Jennings

Jennings her Attorney And the Sheriff of Somerset County aft^r made return of the Writ aft^r in the words following to wit. To the Honourable Justices of the General Court. The Execution of the within writ appears by the Inquisition hereto annexed so answers W. Gillis Sheriff.

An Inquisition Indented and taken at Princess Ann Town at the Court house in Somerset County the ninth day of April in the year of our Lord God seventeen hundred and seventy nine before me William Gillis Sheriff of Somerset County aft^r by virtue of a certain Writ of the State of Maryland to me directed and to this Inquisition annexed to enquire of and upon certain matters in the same Writ contained and specified by the Oaths of Thomas Irving, William Jones, John Dashiell, John Jones (Manoigh) Gowin Wright, Wilson Heath, John Irving, Solomon Long, Jesse Watson, Isaiah Dorman, John Law, Heber Whittington, John Jones (Manokin) good and lawful Men of my County who being charged and sworn upon their Oaths say that the said Mary Waggaman in the annexed Writ mentioned hath sustained damages by reason of the Premisses besides her costs and Charges about her suit in this behalf expended to three Pounds Sterling Money and for those Costs and Charges by her about her suit in this behalf expended to seventy five Pounds current money of Maryland. In Witness whereof I the Sheriff aforesaid as the Jurors aft^r to this Inquisition our hands have set and seals affixed the day and year first above mentioned. W. Gillis (S.) Th^o Irving (S.) William Jones (S.) John Dashiell (S.) John Jones (S.) Gowin Wright (S.) Wilson Heath (S.) John Irving (S.) Solomon Long (S.) Jesse Watson (S.) Isaiah Dorman (S.) John Law (S.) Heber Whittington, John Jones M.C. (S.)

Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the aforesaid Mary Waggaman do recover against the said John McGrath her Damages aft^r to three Pounds Sterling Money by the Inquisition aforesaid in form aforesaid found And also the sum of Twenty five Pounds current Money of Maryland to the same Mary Waggaman at her request for her Costs and Charges aft^r by the Court here of increase adjudged And the said John McGrath in Mercy and so forth. James Earle Clk.