The petition of William Hilton Read in these words viz

To the Worshipfull the Justices of Essex County Court now in Kingston — The humble Petition of William Hilton —

Humbly sheweth — That your petitioner being of the plantation at Wolstanton, to Lyeth at Mattie Homan and leading all my Working tools and tools that Stuff and Chips on my said plantation Now to it is may it please your Worships that that Cause Burning upon petitioners account Cast the Road Down upon your petitioners land and Lyes upon your petitioners land that Stuff tools and Chips which the said Chips be in possession to your petitioners great loss and Damage — Wherefore your petitioner humbly Begs your Worships to take the premises into consideration the said Road Cause Burning in Court that your petitioner may have Redress and your petitioner as in Duty bound shall ever pray &c

After the Court having considered of the premisses it was ordered that Capt William Hilton and Edmond Howard Gent two of his Majtys Justices of the Court do Impower the Sheriff of this County who is also impowered to summon twelve good and lawfull men of this Province to Inquire upon their oathes into the premisses upon the said Tenement or Mishage on Friday the 24th of this Instant March At which Day the Justices and Sheriff Met according and the Jurors thereon impannelled Came to wit Joseph Rowe John Bennitt John Thomas Charles Mulgrove Henry Hawkins Jacob Miller John Hanton Jun Mich Martin William Bunn James Ostrill Thomas Blundell Wm Foster to Inquire into the premisses being sworn and sworn upon their oathes — We of the Jury do say that Mrs Mary Coates daughter of William Hilton without a Legall Due Course of Law Witness our hands and seales —

Foreman Charles Rowe
Geo Bennitt
Geo Thomas
Charles Mulgrove
Henry Hawkins
Jacob Miller
John Hanton Jun
Ann Martin
Wm Bunn
James Ostrill
Thos Blundell
Wm Foster

The Court Before — Mr Forbist Edmond Howard — Whereupon William Hilton prayeth that upon the end aforesaid the said Due possession Restored him to the said plantation and appurtenances according to ye act of parliament for that case made and provided &c — Whereupon Mrs Mary Coates brought before the said Justices and Jurors this Day with her Infant to Receive Dues to the 20th Day of March Devised to the Complainant Charles Rowe

(aforesaid)

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aforesaid Commanding them that the Records of the whole proceedings aforesaid with Cost and Returned before his Majtys Justices of the peace Court to be held at the City of Annapolis the second Tuesday in April Next Ensuing which order allowed by the said Justices and in Obedience thereto Charles County Court Being not the Seale Whereby in order for adjournment from March Court which is Occasioned from Returning the said proceedings to the Court as aforesaid Commanded —

Whereupon the said Mr Forbist and Edmond Howard Esqrs Do Order the said Mr Hilton to Deliver him to the Sheriff in order Leaving a Sufficient Bond to the now Court aforesaid

Whereupon to withstand order Thomas Gambrill the whole proceedings and affairs thereto the Date of from said County — Mr Rogers Clerk

Charles Co

And now Here at this Court to wit the 11th Day of October Anno Dom 1710 and Comes as well the said Mary Coates of Charles County, as the said Majty by his Attorney in the said Majtys behalf and the said Mary Coates by her Attorney aforesaid, and whereupon the said Mary Coates by her said Attorney prayed Leave to Imparlance, and the same to answer the premisses aforesaid to the said Charles Gambrill, and the said Day is given to the said Mary in this Behalf prorenunciatur also —

At which said Court to wit the 11th Day of the same Month 1710 Comes as well the said Mary in this Behalf prorenunciatur as the said Mary Coates by her Attorney aforesaid, and whereupon the said Mary Coates by her said Attorney aforesaid prayes further Leave till next Court to answer the said Charles Gambrill which is granted her, and the same Day is given to the said Mary in this Behalf prorenunciatur also —

At which said last Court to wit the 10th Day of October Anno Dom 1710 Comes again as well the said Mr Bladen for the Majty in this Behalf prorenunciatur as the said Mary Coates by her said Attorney aforesaid, and whereupon all and singular the premisses aforesaid being by the Court here fully seen and understood, and Mature Deliberation being thereupon had —

It is Adjudged Considered by the Justices here that the said Day and year last aforesaid that the said Charles Gambrill Defendant do go Without Day &c and that the said Mary Coates go thereof without Day &c

Att Richard Hill
Charles Hillsman
Clerks

Judgment for Defendant and for Indemnification and filed