

County Courts of this Province in all Actions that exceed ten U. H. J. pounds Sterl or two thous^d pounds of tob^o

Present

Of her Majesty's Honble Council

The honble { Col W^m Holland
Col Samuel Young &
Col Richard Tilghman

Of the House of Delegates

M^r Robert Tyler M^r Tho^s Trueman Greenfield
Col Philip Hoskins M^r Roger Woolford &
M^r Dan^l Mariartee Cap^t Rich^d Colegate

Who made Choice of Col W^m Holland for their Chairman & Edmond Benson for their Clerk.

And then proceeded to the Matters given them in Charge, which being fully debated & considered we humbly report our opinion as follows

That all Attornys practising in the Several County Courts ^{p. 943} of this Province shall have for their fee in any Case where the real Debt sued for or the Ballance recovered exceeds the sum of ten pounds Sterl or two thous^d pounds of Tob^o the sum of two hund^d pounds of tob^o And that any Attorney practising in the s^d Courts that shall refuse to prosecute or defend the Cause of any Person or Persons making Application to any Attorney of the s^d Courts unless before retained having the s^d Fee paid or secured to be paid him or that shall ask receive or demand in any such Action by any Colour or pretext whatsoever more than the s^d Fee shall forfeit & pay the sum of five hundred pounds of Tob^o one half thereof to our Sovereign Lady the Queen for the support of Governm^t the other half to him or them that will sue for the same to be recovered by Action of Debt Bill Plaint or Information there-after to be suspended his Practise in the s^d Court for & during one whole year.

We are further humbly of opinion that a Clause relating to the above Premisses be added to the Bill for reviving the Act for Officers' Fees which we humbly refer to your Honour's Consideration

Signed p order Edmond Benson Clk.

The same Report was brought from the Delegates by M^r Tyler and five others and Endorsed by the House of Delegates.