

L. H. J. said Thomas, he should have his Bond and that he would take something from under the Hand of the said Thomas for the fees that were unpaid, the next day after the execution of the said Instrument of Resignation the said Thomas went to the dwelling House of the said Tench Francis and there found Captain Ambrose Cock and John Leeds aforesaid and applied to said Francis for his Bond aforesaid In answer to which the said Francis told him he was then busy and asked him if he could not Trust him;

At the said time the said Leeds and he the said Thomas walked out and the said Thomas told him that M^r Francis had used him unkindly and that it was hard that he should be so turned out of the Office and told the said Leeds that he gave a great Sum of Money for it, upon which the said Leeds enquired into the Annual Value of the said Office and soon after the said Leeds came over to Annapolis and on his Return, told the said Thomas he Could not get his Commission then but that he must again repair to Annapolis in about A Fortnights time and then should get his Commission, And that the Secretary had Ordered it so, and which accordingly he did at the appointed time but then again returned without the said commission occasioned as the said Thomas believed by the Want of A Resignation Endorsed on the Commission of him the said Thomas as appears by the letter hereunto annexed signed Tench Francis and which Resignation the said Thomas endorsed on the back of the Commission as required and delivered it to the said Tench Francis and believes the said Francis sent the same to the said Leeds and in about four or five days after the said Leeds entered into the said Office of Clerk of the said County and was qualified before William Thomas Junior one of the Justices of the said County

Articles of Agreement Indented made Concluded and Agreed upon this first day of June Anno domini Seventeen hundred thirty and four between Richard Francis of the City of Annapolis in the Province of Maryland Gent of the one part and Thomas Bullen of Talbot in the same province Gent of the other part Whereas the said Thomas has by means and at the Instance of the said Richard Francis been Nominated and Appointed Clerk of Talbot Court thereupon the said Thomas for himself his Heirs Ex^{rs} and Adm^{rs} and for every of them doth hereby Covenant and Grant to and with the said Richard Francis his Ex^r and Adm^{rs} in manner following, first that he the said Thomas shall and will, well, faithfully, diligently and compleatly do Execute and Perform all the Acts duties and Services belonging to the said Office from the time of his admission thereto for and during the term of twelve years if he shall so long live and continue therein according to the best of his understanding and Abilities, that he shall not willingly either resign the said Office during the same time without a request in Writing under the Hands and Seals of the said Richard Francis his Ex^{rs} or adm^{rs} respectively,