

To his Excellency Lionel Copley Esq<sup>r</sup> Captain Generall and Liber K.  
Governor in chief in and over the Province and Territory of  
Maryland

The humble Petition of Henry ffearme

Sheweth

That in the Year 1681 your Petitioner loaded his Ship in Potuxen River, and gave a Bill of Exc<sup>o</sup> to the Lord of Baltimore to pay him 20<sup>l</sup> Sterl in England for the duty of 200 hhds of Tobacco at 2<sup>s</sup> p hhd, Iohn Evans Planter in the said River, ships aboard 10 hhds of Tobacco, and was to go Passenger with me for Ireland, and was to pay Forty Shillings p hhd Freight Evans was obliged with me to see the Bill of Exc<sup>o</sup> paid The Ship being very leaky going for Ireland was forced by extremity to the West Parts of Ireland to save the ship & Lives being in Harbour a Price was proffered for Tobacco as much as Tobacco was worth in Ireland, I perswaded the aforesaid Iohn Evans to make sale of his Tobacco and not to run any more Risk he sold his Tobacco and I gave him the Freight of the Tobacco and he then going for England I advised him to see if the Bill of Exc<sup>o</sup> was not paid that he should pay the Lords Agent himself with that 20<sup>l</sup> Freight, thirty days after John Evans parted from me by mischance I lost my Ship and Goods before I cou'd attain to the City of Cork being my Port of Discharge the Ship and Goods being wholly my own lost to the Value of 1500<sup>l</sup> Sterling, I am arrested by Francis Collier that married In<sup>o</sup> Evans<sup>s</sup> Widow, I have been prisoner two months, I have been sick Six Months, and am still in a weak Condition, that if I Live I am to appear at the Provincially Court, I am about 70 Years of Age Poor and a stranger in the Country, my humble request is that your Excellency be pleased that Frances Collier may choose 2 Men, and my self Choose 2 men, that it may be decided the difference I being sick and lying at great Charges

I shall ever be bound in Duty to pray

The Petitioner if he will qualify himself by Oath according to law may be admitted to defend himself in Forma Pauperis

To his Excellency Lionel Copley Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor in chief over the Province of Maryland

In all humble manner sheweth The humble Petition of Thomas Plummer of Ann Arundell County

That your Petitioner hath for these thirty Five Years last past been an Inhabitant and Liver in the County abovesaid, during the most of which time he hath had a Wife and divers Children, and nothing to maintain them with but what through