Philemon Lloyd One of his L^{spps} Comiss^{rs} for Talbott County Lib. R. and testifie upon Oath the Coppy of the Certificate of the above mentioned Land out of his Booke w^{ch} soe testified the said Cap^t Lloyd is to transmitt to his L^{spps} Justices of the Prov^{ll} Court und^r his hand with all expedition possible.

Signed p ord^r
JLl. Cl: Consil:

Then mooved to his L^{spps} and the Councell p the Hon^{ble} Philip Calvert Esq^r Chancello^r to take into Examination an aspersion cast upon M^r Christopher Rousby by John Burdett of S^t Maries County tending also to the Dishono^r of his L^{spp} According to the Evidence given in by John Llewellin being as foll: viz

That about the 19th or 20th Day of ffebruary last to the best of his Remembrance Mr John Burdett being then at the Governors house did in the Kitchin of the sa house (being severall of the Serv^{tts} then present) whisper in the Ear of the said Llewellin some private News (as he said) which he heard Desireing the said Llewellin not to Divulge it for that onely himself and the pson that told him knew any thing of it. Which was that his L^{spp} the Lord Prop^{ry} and M^r Christopher Rousby had lately had some high words, that Mr Rousby p. 69 called his Lspp Traytor to his face, and his Lspp Offering to speake again Mr Rousby told him he had best hold his tongue & say noe more or words to that effect, that the next Day or soone after his Lspps Negro Boy Peter was sent away in all haste to St Maries who was seene to ride very hard being sent as was supposed for his Honor the Chancellor that the Chancellor was seene to goe back with the said negro and had been at Mattapony almost every Day since, that he the sd Burdett had recd: this Intelligence from One Mr Person liveing in the house with M^r Rousby.

Whereupon Ordered that John Burdett be summoned to make his appeareance at the Councell Board to morrow afternoone at 3 a Clock where the said Person is also to appeare.

At a Councell held at Ditto place the 7th Day of March 1678:

Where were present as yesterday together with L^{tt} Coll: Thomas Tailler

John Burdett According to summons yesterday makes his appeareance and being examined Ownes the words by him spoken to John Llewellin According to the Information of the said Llewellin but Denies the Author to be M^r Person, but that he had it from One Thomas Smith, that M^r Person never spake One word of it, Whereupon Ordered that the said