

make answer it was not, for that the Seal was the only thing that adds force to it. Lib. H. D.

W^m Dent

R: Goldesborough

I am of Opinion it is no legall Writ till Sealed

George Plater

Coll Jowles &
Mr John ffreeman both
sworn abt Mr
Sharps Writ
of Error, and
their Oaths
indorsed on
the s^d Writ

The aforementioned Writ of Error is shew'd to his Hon^r Coll: Jowles Chancelo^r who is Demanded to make Oath whether the s^d Writ passed the Broad Seal the Same day it bears date or not; who does make Oath before his Ex^{ncy} in Councill upon the holy Evangelist that the s^d Writ of Error, did not pass the Broad Seal the Same day nor till two or three days after the s^d Date. Mr. ffreeman Register being call'd in again was Swore to make answer whether or no he did not tell his Ex^{ncy} the 22^d of May last in the Evening that there was no Writ of Error Issued out at that time on behalf of W^m Sharp which he accordingly made Oath to; The Tenor of both which Oaths were indorsed by Ord^r on back of the s^d Writ. p. 491

Mr John ffreeman Order'd
to be committed
into Custody

Ordered that Warrant Issue to the Sherriff of Ann Arrundell County for taking into Custody the Body of the s^d ffreeman which was accordingly Issued as followes

By his Ex^{ncy} the Govern^r & Councill June the 3^d 1697.

Whereas it appears upon Oath taken by John ffreeman Register of his ma^{ts} high Court of Chancery within this Province on the ffirst of this Instant June, that he the s^d ffreeman being Demanded to make Answer to this Board whether a Writ of Error had by him been issued the 22^d of may last past upon a Judgm^t obtain'd at the Suit of his Ma^{ty} against W^m Sharpe of Talbot County for 1000^{ll} Sterl. that no Such Writ had been Issued but fforasmuch as by a certain paper produced at the Councill Board, this day under the hand of the s^d ffreeman and Broad Seal of the s^d Province bearing date the s^d 22^d day of May wherein the Judgm^t afores^d is recounted whereby it is Suspected that he hath Committed willful Perjury—These are therefore in his ma^{ts} Name to will and Require as also strictly Charge and Comānd that the Sherriff of Ann Arrundell County do upon Sight hereof take into his Custody the s^d John ffreeman and him in Safe Custody keep untill he shall be deliver'd by due Course of his Ma^{ts} Laws for which this shall be Sufficient Warr^t given from the Council Board the day and Year above Written.

Signed p Ord^r Hen: Denton Cl Council