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John Salter of Talbott County Innholder signifying to this Board that he was prosecuted by an order hence issued for non performance of a Certain Contract with Talbott County Iustices about the Court house &^{ca} sayes he is willing to performe all Covenants whatsoever by him entred into, and therefore prays a stop may be putt to the said Action; to which was answer'd, that if he would enter into a Bond for performance thereof and Refund all such sums of Tobacco as he Recd from them for Alterations made in the s^d Court house &^{ca} his case should be considered. And a Bond being accordingly prepared, Read & approved off; the s^d Salter is asked if he is willing to sign the s^d Bond, which if he did, that then a Stop should be put to the s^d Action commenced against him, and withall is told, that there shall no present advantage be taken against him upon the said Bond, but that the same shall lye still till an Assembly to whome his Ex^{ncy} intends to referr the matter for their opinion; And it is hereby Ordered that no future Repairs be made upon the said house, unless the s^d Salter do it at his own charge; ffor that it is not approved off by this Board that his Maj^{tes} Court should be held under the same Roofe, where an Ordinary is kept and so many tipling Roomes Round it.

The s^d Salter does say that he is willing to signe the said Bond upon the proviso aforementioned; which was accordingly done & lodged with the Clerk of this Board.

October the 23^d 1697.

The Councill again Sate and were present
 His Ex^{ncy} ffran^s Nicholson Esq^r Cap^t Gen^{ll} &^{ca}
 S^r Thomas Laurence Baron^{tt} Sec^{ry}
 Coll^o Henry Iowles
 Coll^o George Robotham
 Thomas Tench Esq^r
 Coll^o Charles Hutchins

Came Madam Elizabeth Blakiston al^s Rymer Adm^x of Coll Ne^{ah} Blakiston Dec^d and made motion by M^r Phillip Clark her Attorney how th^t having lately obtain'd Iudgment against the Hono^{ble} Thomas Tench Esq^r Adm^r of Govern^r Copley p. 593 dec^d for a considerable Sum of money & th^t understanding the s^d Esq^r Tench was going out of the Province; therefore desired leave might be granted to take such legal process out against him, before his departure, according to the directions of the law in such case. To w^{ch} was answered that the s^d Esq^r Tench being appointed by his Ex^{ncy} and his Maj^{tes} Hono^{ble} Councill, by and with the approbation of the Iustices