

Province to redress a general aggrievance Complained of and L. H. J.  
 represented from all parts of this Province have (giveing way  
 to the hard circumstances of the Inhabitants) thought fitt to  
 oblige the Pl<sup>ts</sup> in any action not Exceeding 5000<sup>li</sup> To<sup>bo</sup> or  
 twenty pounds to sue in the County courts and not Else where  
 yet wee cannot think this aggrievance now proposed has any  
 Colour of being general or any ways foresee any greater  
 hardships to the Pl<sup>ts</sup> here then what his Majestys Subjects of  
 England lye under being obliged to follow their causes to the  
 Superior courts provided such habeas Corpus be duely  
 obtained (That is to say) the previous requisites performed in  
 order for the attainment thereof (viz) good security given to  
 abide the Superior courts Judgment and a Judges allowance  
 on the Back of the writ, and like wise that it is offered before  
 the Issue Joyned or any one Juror sworne in the lower Court,  
 and not for a less sune than limited, so that what you offer  
 wee conceive has no weight in Ball. with the other General  
 aggrievances of many people being brought to the Provincial  
 court where they have neither Neighbours or ffreinds to bail  
 them to their Great expence and Impoverishment but if it  
 should be granted because the legislature has thought fitt to  
 Enact the other for the defendants advantage and at their  
 prayer yet wee think it will still be invadeing the Subjects  
 birth right to deny the def<sup>ts</sup> the benefit of the Laws to favour p. 166  
 the plaintiffs, especially when it is considered that it may often  
 happen that Pl<sup>ts</sup> interest in the County may be farr more  
 prevalent than the defendants, so that he cannot reasonably  
 expect an Impartial tryall there, and it is further observed that  
 since the people have desired to be sued in their own Countys  
 it is not likely they will remove any Suits unless there be  
 Especial cause which wee Can't see any reason to debarr  
 them of.

Signed p order. W. Bladen Clk. Up<sup>r</sup> Ho:

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> Brooke Esq<sup>r</sup> from the Up<sup>r</sup> House delivers  
 M<sup>r</sup> Speaker the petition of some of the Inhabitants of the  
 South side of Patapsco in Baltemore County praying to be  
 severed from Baltemore County & united to Ann Arundell  
 County Endorsed thus (viz)

By the Upper house of Assembly  
 July the 26<sup>th</sup> 1716

The petition being thought reasonable by this House wee  
 doe recomend it to your house to admitt a bill to be brought