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Lib. J. R. Informed that the said Outten was in a day or two next after & U. S. shot by one John Willy at the House of the said Willie and further this Deponent sayeth not

Thomas Hinds

Taken & Sworn the 9th day of March 1759 before me Rob^t Jenkins Henry.

Maryland sst

The Deposition of William Hayward of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland aged Twenty eight years and upwards being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Deposeth and saith that he this Deponent was present at the Examination of One John Sharp Taken at Lewis Town in the County of Sussex on Delaware, before Rives Holt Esquire and that the said John Sharpe then & there upon and at the Time of his Examination and the Taking of his Deposition did Declare that precedent to the Murder of one William Outten one of the Sub Sheriffs of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland Committed by one John Willey that he the said John Sharpe and the said John Willy with Sundry other persons whose names this Deponent at present p. 297 Cannot Remember had agreed together to stand by one another and thereby to resist the said William Outten that no process Issuing out of the County Court of Worcester should be Executed on any of them, that one Cloves one of the Magistrates of the County of Sussex who was also present told the said Sharpe that such words were dangerous that they amounted to a Combination and that surely no Combination was entered into and that he the said Sharpe must certainly be mistaken upon which the said Sharpe Seemed to be affrighted, and seemed much inclined to take back what he had sayed, but being directed Sundry Times to repeat what he had to sav, as often would confess that such an agreement had been entered into and made use of these Expressions, that it did not signifie for that such agreement as is aforesaid had been entered into yet from the Interposition of the said Cloves Jacob Collick and one Holt Magistrates of the County of Sussex afsd to the best of this Deponents Memory the words aforesaid of the said Sharpe were Intirely unnoticed in and left out of the Deposition of the said Sharpe and this Deponent further saith that the said Sharpe at the Time of his Examination afsd did declare that himself and the several persons aforesaid who had entered into the agreement afsd would have Submitted to such process as is before mentioned but that the Great Men of the County of Sussex afsd would not permit them, which to the best of this Deponents