

Session self justly, honestly and faithfully, to the best of your Knowledge
Laws and Understanding, so long as you shall continue in the said Office.
So help you God.

And Be It Likewise Enacted, That the same Oath shall be taken
by the Members of the Court of Appeals, as Judges to correct Errors
in Judgments and other Proceedings at Common Law, the Justices
of the Provincial and County Courts, and the Mayor, Recorder, and
Aldermen of the City of Annapolis, for the Time being, as their
p. 14 proper Oath of Office, to be administered, as hath been heretofore
used; and that the same be administered to the Members of the Court
of Appeals, as Judges to correct Errors in Judgments and other
Proceedings at Common Law, the Justices of the Provincial and
County Courts, and the Mayor, Recorder, and Alderman of the City
of Annapolis, now in being, by Virtue of, and according to the Direc-
tions of the several Commissions, Writs of Dedimus Potestatem, or
the other Authorities, that the late Form of their Oath of Office was
administered by: And that after the last Day of August next, none of
the Members of the Court of Appeals, as Judges to correct Errors
in Judgments and other Proceedings at Common Law, nor the Jus-
tices of the Provincial or County Courts, nor the Mayor, Recorder,
and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis, be capable of acting in their
respective Stations, without having first taken the said Oath, as their
proper Oath of Office, in Manner aforesaid.

Provided, That if the Judges in the High Court of Appeals, Pro-
vincial Courts, and Courts of Assize, take the said Oath, at any time
before they proceed to the judicial Determination of any Matters of
Law in their respective Courts, the same shall be taken as a full Com-
pliance with the Directions of this Act. Any Thing herein before
contained to the contrary, in any-wise, notwithstanding.

Chap. An Act for the Relief of John Smith, a languishing Prisoner, in
XXIV Cæcil County Goal.

Whereas, John Smith, of Cæcil County, late Sheriff of the said
County, by his humble Petition to this General Assembly, hath set
forth, That he hath continued a Prisoner for Debt, in the Custody
of the present Sheriff of the same County for a considerable Time,
in Execution for several large Sums of Money and Tobacco.

And Whereas, the said John Smith also sets forth, That he and
his Wife, for the Release of his own Person, and Indemnity of his
Securities, are willing to have all that they are entitled to, distributed
amongst the Publick Creditors of the said Smith; and hath prayed
Leave to bring in a Bill to discharge his Body out of Prison.

And Whereas, it is also represented and made appear to this Gen-
eral Assembly, That the said John Smith, some considerable Time
since, convey'd to certain Trustees, a great Part of his Real Estate,
for the Use of his Wife and Children; as also, that a certain Rees