

Liber B B Wee the Comm<sup>rs</sup> of the County of Ann arundell doe hereby deliuer unto yo<sup>r</sup> the Body of Joseph ffincher who is suspected to haue murdered his Seruant Jeffrey Haggman, by the Examina<sup>co</sup>n of seuerall witnesses

[p. 374] These are therefore in the Lord Propriet<sup>rs</sup> name to will and require yo<sup>w</sup> to take him into Goale and there to keep him safe untill he be Cleared by the law hereof fayle not as yo<sup>w</sup> will answere the Con-  
trary att yo<sup>r</sup> Perill Giuen und<sup>r</sup> Our handes Septemb<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 1664—

To Cap<sup>t</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Burges Sherriffe  
of Ann Arundell County—

Rob<sup>t</sup> Burle  
Rog : Grose  
Tho : Besson  
Rich : Ewen  
Ralph Williams  
John Norwood

Vera Copia teste me Theo :  
Lewys Cle<sup>r</sup> : Co<sup>m</sup>—

Att a Court held for Ann Arundell County Sep<sup>t</sup> the 13<sup>th</sup> 1664—

P<sup>r</sup>sent

Mr	{	Rob <sup>t</sup> Burle	}	Cap <sup>t</sup> Tho : Besson	} Commissioners
		Rog : Grose		Cap <sup>t</sup> Jn <sup>o</sup> Norwood	
		Rich : Ewen		Ralph Williams	

Edward Ladd aged 21 yeares or thereabouts sworne in Court de-  
poseth as followeth

That he saw Joseph ffincher strike his seruant but not in the tobacco  
howse and those blowes that the said ffincher did at that time giue  
his seruant this depon<sup>t</sup> is sure could doe him no hurt, and further  
saith not—  
Edw<sup>d</sup> ○ Ladd his marke

Thomas Whyniard aged 21 yeares or thereabouts sworne in Court  
deposeth as followeth—

That he saw Joseph ffincher strike his Seruant w<sup>th</sup> a small sticke  
but not in the tobacco howse and further this depon<sup>t</sup> saith not  
Thomas T whyniards m<sup>ke</sup>

Sussannah Leeth aged 20 yeares or thereabouts sworne in Court  
deposeth as followeth

This Deponant goeing to worke saw Joseph ffincher pegging of  
plants and he called his man out to worke he not comming when he  
call'd him, he goes in and fetches him and loades him w<sup>th</sup> a burden  
of plants the man not able to beare them the said ffincher followes  
him and flings him downe plants and all and beate him and kicked  
him and afterwards sent him into the howse, his wife turnes him  
back againe and sends him for a paille of water she following him  
for another, and goeing to the spring the fellow not goeing soe fast  
as she would haue him she shuveth him along till he fell downe and  
afterwards she pull'd him up againe and gaue him some blowes then  
coming from th<sup>e</sup> spring the man fell downe w<sup>th</sup> the paille in his hand,