Liber B B that the said John Anderton after yor petrs arrivall in this province hath forced yor petr to signe an Indenture to serue him 9 yeares Contrary to the law and Custom of this prouince and still would force him to serue the other 2 yeares Vnless yor Honnors be pleased to free him by Order of this honble Cort unto whome he doth put himselfe and humbly Craues Ordr thereof for his Corne & Clothes and damage-And he shall pray &c-

> John Anderton being preent and not shewing Just Cause why the pet should not have his ffreedome Therefore Ordered the said John Askin haue his ffreedome and that the said John Anderton deliuer him his Corne & Clothes according to the Act of the Country

> The Court adjourns untill to morrow morning att 9 of the Clocke All present as yesterday this second March 1664/5

> To the honble the Gouernor & Councell of the prouince of Maryland The humble pet<sup>n</sup> of Jn<sup>o</sup> Gittings the Atturney of Mistris Margarite Perry sheweth

> That whereas yor petr hath Obtained Judgmt for two thowsand pounds sterling agst the Estate of John Bateman Esos deceased and whereas yor petr hath taken out Execucon for the said debt and deliuered it to the sherriffe of Caluert County who hath returned the said writt (Executed according to the appraysm<sup>t</sup>) One hundred thirety nine Thowsand nine hundred seauenty and One pounds of tobacco—

Now the humble request of yor petr is that this honoble Board will [p. 473] be pleased to Order at what rates yor petr may accept of the tobacco in discharge of the debt of two thowsand pounds sterling-And he shall pray &c.

Ordered uppon the foregoeing pet<sup>n</sup> that the Atturney of Margarite Perry receive the tobacco therein exprest att three halfe pence  $\overline{p}$ pound-

The Honnoble Leiutennt Generall desires the rest of the Councell that the Bussiness Concerning the sloope Red Sterne may be taken next in hand, whereupon Iacob Backer was Called, who had from last Court 6 months time to proue himselfe and Vessell ffree to trade in any of his Maties Dominions &c according to that Order in folio 398

Then was read Generall Nicolls letter sent (by the said Backer) to the Gouerno<sup>r</sup> and Councell as allsoe the Certifficates of the Generalls to the said Backer and Dericke Janson Smyth which are all as followeth-

New York January 24th 1664

Vppon the Complaint of Jacob Backer Merchant & Derrick Janson Smith that their sloope and goods are seized, and detained by Order