

indemnifie & discharge the Said Thomas ffloyd of & from the S.^d Liber C D
 Crime And do hereby Give & Grant unto the s.^d Thomas ffloyd our
 firm peace w.^{ch} to us belongs by reason of the af.^d Crime So that we
 will from henceforth that the S.^d Thomas ffloyd Stand Right in any
 of o^r Courts if any person whatsoever do him therein Implead, And
 we do hereby Restore the S.^d Thomas ffloyd unto the Liberty of the
 Law In Wittness whereof we have Caused these our Letters to be
 made Patents Wittness o.^r Self at our City of S.^t marys the Twenty
 third day of June in the Second year of our Dominion &^a Anno
 Dom one thousand Six hund.^d Seventy Seven

To the Hon.^{b^{le}} Thomas Notley Esq.^r Lieu.^t Gen.^{ll} & Chief Gov.^r
 of maryland

The Humble petition of Rich.^d Okaine & martha his wife
 Humbly Sheweth

That yo.^r poor pet.^r through the Informa^{co}ns & Oaths of one
 Bell & Smith who were their Servants and they having been free
 Some differences have happened between yo.^r pet.^r & them & Some
 Suits in the Co.^{ty} Court been p^{ro}secuted ag.^t them Since which Suits &
 differences stirred and moved the S.^d Bell and Smith have wrong-
 fully Informed ag.^t your pet.^{rs} and upon their Evidence yo.^r pet.^{rs}
 have been found Guilty of five Severall Indictm.^{ts} and presentments
 Some against one & both & Some the other & have thereby Incurred
 the penalty of Severall Laws & yo.^r Hon.^{rs} Just displeasure & have
 Received Judgm.^t thereupon yo.^r pet.^{rs} humbly therefore Implore yo.^r
 Hon.^{rs} mercy and Clemency and to Grant them a pardon for the
 Corporall punishm.^{ts} due for the Same & withall to Considera^{co}n
 that this prosecution by Smith and Bell was not till Long time after
 the ffact Supposed to be Comitted & till Long time after they Came
 to be free & the differences af.^d were moved and that this is the first
 time they ever lay Guilty of any Such misdemeano.^{rs} And yo.^r pet.^{rs}
 as in Duty Bound Shall pray &^c

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Underneath yo.^r above petition was written

m.^r Sec.^{ry} Calvert S.^r Let a pardon be drawn for Richard Okaine
 & martha his wife for the Corporall punishm.^t due for the hog
 Stealing & Likewise for uncaseing the hhd of Tob.^o und.^r my hand
 this fifth day of Oct.^r 1677
 Thomas Notley

Charles Absolute Lord Proprietary of the Provinces of maryland
 & Avalon Lord Baron of Baltemore &^c To all our Judges, Justices &
 other officers & ministers within our Said province of maryland &
 all other persons to whom these presents Shall Come Greeting in
 our Lord God Everlasting Know ye that Whereas Edward Newton
 of Dorchest.^r Co.^{ty} planter at a Provinciall Court held at our City of
 S.^t marys the fifteenth day of ffebruary Instant was Indicted ar-
 raigned & Convicted for hog stealing We of our free Grace and mere