

Liber FF said Office and tending or relateing to the estate of John Bateman Esq̄ deceased from the time of his death to the day and yeare above-mentioned, which Coppy of the said proceedings was returned hither from the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lord proprietary of this province to Charles Calvert Esq̄ Leiftennt Geñll thereof this ninth day of June One thousand six hundred sixty eight with the severall papers hereafter mentioned annexed thereunto which by the said Leiftennt Geñll is Ordered to be forthwith recorded and are as follow (vizt)

To the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> Caecilius Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltemore &c

The Humble Petition of Henry Scarburgh of London merchant Humbly sheweth

That y<sup>r</sup> Lōpps petitioner did heretofore entrust One John Bateman of London aforesaid Haberdasher afterwards called John Bateman of the said province of Maryland Esq̄ as Factor and Agent in Maryland for y<sup>r</sup> petitioner with the management of One thousand pounds the proper monies of your petitioner to be disposed off for the use of your petitioner in the way of trade.

That the said Bateman afterwards disposed of part of your Orat<sup>rs</sup> said monies in the purchaseing of lands and hereditaments in your Lōpps said province of Maryland in your petitioners name and in the name of himselfe the said Bateman as joyntenants, or in the sole name of him the said Bateman in trust for your pet<sup>r</sup> and his heirs.

That the said Bateman haveing purchased the said lands as aforesaid and haveing likewise Severall great Summes of your pet<sup>rs</sup> monyes in his hands to be disposed off for your pet<sup>rs</sup> Use in a way of trade made his last will and nominated Mary his wife sole executrix thereof and dyed.

That the said Mary had notice of and was privy to the transactions and trusts before mentioned who after the said Batemans death made probate of the said Will and tooke upon her the execution thereof and possessed her selfe of all the personall estate of the said Bateman and also of your pet<sup>rs</sup> in the hands of the said Bateman at the time of the death of the said Bateman and entred upon the said purchased premisses pretending the same to be devised unto her by her said husband And by fraud and covin confessed a judgment against herselfe as executrix of the said Bateman in your Lōpps provincially Court there for two thousand pounds debt pretended to be due unto One Margaret perry in trust for her the said Mary upon a certaine bond long since entred into by the said Bateman but not p<sup>t</sup>ended to be due for any debt or monyes incurred in the way of trade but for a pretended debt pretended to be due long before he entred upon the way of trade or was employed as a Factor in y<sup>r</sup> Lōpps said province.

That the said Mary permitted all the said personall estate of the said Bateman and also of y<sup>r</sup> pet<sup>r</sup> and likewise the said purchased