

Liber JJ William Barrett v̄ss } Morecroft p̄ queŕ  
 Humphry Warren } Notley p̄ def<sup>t</sup>

Impar lance being granted the def<sup>t</sup> last Provinciall Court until this Court Att which day the said Thomas Notley the Attorney of the said Humphrey Warren for plea saith That he is not informed by his Client of further answer to make to the plaintiffs declaration then the deposition of Thomas Smith, which being produced was by the Court found invalid

And the said William Barrett saith for replication That the said Humphry was at liberty and not imprisoned and did signe seale and deliver the said Deed and bond without any constraint and of this he prayeth the judgm<sup>t</sup> of the Court, and the said Humphry likewise.

Judgment was then awarded against the said Humphry for One hundred twenty five thousand pounds of tobacco.

Joseph Dockings being Ordered to attend the Courts pleasure was this day discharged.

To the Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Governours and the rest of the justices of this Provincial Court of Maryland.

The humble Petition of John Balley Submissively Sheweth unto your Hon<sup>rs</sup>

That in the month of July One thousand six hundred sixty six your Petitioner did putt to sea upon a voyage intended for Irland from thence intended for Barbadoes and so back againe for Maryland, But by reason of the defectuousnesse of the Vessell the Master and Company did put into Fyall, where by distresse of weather the Vessel was cast away and so your Petitioner could not returne home till November last.

That in your Petitioners absence Raymond Stapelfort upon false suggestions and imaginary pretences tooke Out a warrant against him for foure hundred fifty five pounds two shillings eight pence and for forty five thousand five hundred twenty eight pounds of tobacco directed to the sheriff of Calvert County, who at a Court held at S<sup>t</sup> Maries the sixtenth of October brought and returned his writt of non est inventus Whereupon the Court grants Stapelfort an Attachment On your Petitioners estate (without proof of any thing to be due unto him) which attachment was confirmed at a Court held the ninth of April One thousand six hundred sixty seaven and as it should seeme Stapelfort was Ordered to give security to save the Court harmlesse, although no mention be made thereof upon Record for the six and twentieth day of November following Stapelfort with two Suertyes more enters into bond of One thousand pounds sterling to the Lord proprietary to indemnifie the Court ag<sup>t</sup> all actions &c that may accrue by the said Order of attachment.

Stapelfort by virtue of the said Attachment getts Out of the hands of severall men in ready pay and bills to the value of tenn thousand