

Liber W. C. Yorke to inhabit) To take the Peticōner with him to New Yorke & there Keepe him untill the said Thomas the Peticōners father should come thither himself, Upon w^h the Peticon^r Leaveing his ffather went with the said Beauleiu to New Yorke, and there continued wth him some short time untill the Occasions of the said Beauleiu Calling him abroad to worke for a considerable time Hee the said Beaulein was forced to leave the Peticōner wth One of the Neighbours Called Maneir till his returne from work, **Whereupon** the said Maneir tooke his Oppertunity and Ran away from New Yorke and came into this Province with a scandalous woman & deceitfully brought the Peticoner hither & sold him for Seaven yeares to John Baker Inneholder for the consideration of Two thousand Pounds of Tobacco, Whereof the said Maneir hath received of the said Baker onely Eight hundred pounds of Tobacco All wch the said Peticōner Could produce Witnesses to Prove, And soe the said Peticōner humbly prayed that this Court would take the p^rmisses into their serious consideracōn & that he may be sett ffree he being sold contrary to all Justice & Equity, W^{ch} Peticōn being read and heard It is the Oppinion & Judgment of this Court that the said Peticoner is Wrongfully sold by the sd Maneir to the said Baker ffor that the said Maneir had not any right or title in him as Soe or any otherwaies to Dispose of him to the said Baker or any other person Whatsoever & that the said Peticōner Ought to be sett ffree, Therefore It is Considered by the Court here that the said Thomas DIGNIO Bee and is hereby acquitted and made free from all servitude w^{ch} the said Baker may or can claime from him by vertue of the said sale from the said Maneir. or any other pson or psons whatsoever :

To the Hono^{ble} the Justices of the Provinciaall Court
The humble Peticōn of Mary Strattle

Sheweth

That yo^r Peticōner being consigned from Dublin by one M^r Leviter unto M^r Addison in this Province. and by M^r Addison sold to the Hono^{ble} the Secretary, & from the hono^{ble} Secretary to one Daniel Devine of s^t Maryes County by Indenture for foure yeares w^{ch} Indenture yo^r Peticoner at first arrivall into this Province delivered unto her said Master M^r Addison, That Yo^r Peticōner when she were sold to the Hono^{ble} the secretary Demanded her Indenture of the said M^r Addison Who replied that his Hono^r would be unto her a good Master & that she had better Serve him five yeares then her foure Yo^r Peticōner was afterwards sold to one Daniel Devine from his hono^r the secretary and yo^r Peticōner not any wayes when
p. 553 her time of foure yeares as by Indenture she came ffor were Expired, misdoubting, Did not againe Demand of the said Addison her Indenture