

William Coursey plt ag<sup>t</sup> Richard Bishop def<sup>t</sup>

Richard Bishop of Talbot County planter was attached to answer unto William Coursey Gent<sup>n</sup> of A plea wherefore with force and Arms into all that plantation dwelling house and other out houses orchards gardens and two hundred and fifty Acres of land and other appurtenances thereunto belonging Scituate lying and being on the South side of Chester river in Talbot County calld Brampton and late in the possession of John Hawkins of the aforesaid County Gent<sup>n</sup> which he the said John to him the said William Coursey did demise for A certaine terme which is not yet past he did enter and other harms to him did to the great damage of him the said William Coursey and against the peace etc.

And Whereupon the said William Coursey by Robert Goulesborough his Attorney complaineth that Whereas the Aforesaid John Hawkins upon the Eighth day of November Annoque Domini 1693 at Chester River in the Aforesaid County did demise to the said William all that plantation dwelling house and other out houses Orchards Gardens and two hundred and fifty Acres of land and other appurtenances thereunto belonging Scituate lying and being on the South side of Chester river in Talbott County Aforesaid called Brampton To have and to hold to him the said William and his Assignes from the said Eighth day of November aforesaid unto the end and terme of Three Years from thence next following and fully to be compleat and ended by Virtue of Which demise the said W<sup>m</sup> Coursey into the plantation and appurtenances aforesaid did enter and was thereof possessed And the said William Coursey being thereof so possessed as Aforesaid the aforesaid Richard afterwards that is to say the Seaventeenth day of November aforesaid by force and Arms into the plantation and appurtenances to the same belonging aforesaid in forme aforesaid for the terme aforesaid he did enter and him from his [191] farme aforesaid did Eject and other harmes to him did doe to the great damage of him the said William Coursey and against the peace etc. Whereupon he saith he is dampnified and hath loss to the Vallue of Two thousand pounds of tobaccoe and thereupon he brings this Suite etc.

Jan<sup>ry</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 1693

Unless the Tennant in possession or he or they under whom he claimes do at the next provinciall Court to be held at the City of St Marys the first Tuesday of May next ensueing appear to to [sic] this declaration and make him her or themselves defendants hereunto and according to rule of Court confess the lease entry and Ejectment and insist on the title only the defendant in this declaration will confess Judgment and possession will be delivered accordingly to the plaintiff

And the said Richard Bishop by Sam<sup>l</sup> Watkins his Attorney cometh and defendeth the force and Injury when etc. and saith he is not Guilty of the