

At a Court holden the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June in the second year of the said Charles over Mary  
and the County of Somerset before the Right Honorable Justices thereunto assigned & authorized: /:

present { M<sup>r</sup>: William Stevens: M<sup>r</sup>: John Winder:  
M<sup>r</sup>: William: Blount: M<sup>r</sup>: James Justice  
M<sup>r</sup>: James: Jones: M<sup>r</sup>: William: Breton  
M<sup>r</sup>: George: Johnson: M<sup>r</sup>: William: Jones: } Domini

Maj<sup>r</sup>: John West p<sup>t</sup> Thomas Poole p<sup>t</sup>  
John Anderson def<sup>t</sup>

Somerset ss: John Anderson was summoned to answer unto Maj<sup>r</sup> John West of an account in an action  
of debt: /:

And whereupon the said West by his attorney Thomas Poole saith that he the said John became indebted  
unto him the said West in full & just sum of six hundred & fifty & three pounds of good sound mer-  
chantable Tobacco & Castor as will more plainly in Court appear by a certain writing under the  
hand of him the said John bearing date the fifth day of September in the year of our Lord God 1669:  
wherein he did assume upon himself to promise to pay or cause to be paid unto the said West his  
heirs or assigns the sum of six hundred & fifty & three pounds of Tobacco & Castor & he the said John did under  
himself his heirs executors or assigns to pay as aforesaid but he the said John little regarding his  
promise & assumption fraudulently intending the said West to deceive of the sum of six hundred &  
of six hundred & fifty & three pounds of Tobacco although often thereto required the plaintiff saith that he is damaged  
& hath damage to the value of 1300 pounds of Tobacco & Castor & thereupon brings his suit: /: -

Quer: Thomas Poole:

This bill bindeth mee John Anderson my heirs executors or assigns to pay or cause to be paid unto  
John West his heirs or assigns the just sum of five hundred & seventy three pounds of good &  
sound Tobacco & Castor due to be paid at or upon the tenth day of November next ensuing the  
date hereof in Torowale river & for the true performance hereof I have hereunto set my hand this  
15<sup>th</sup> of September 1669) more forty five pounds of Tobacco to be paid as aforesaid as witness my  
hand the day & year aforesaid more thirty five for a broad apt: John: Anderson: Seal: /

Witness: J<sup>r</sup>: Richards:

And this day to witt the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June A<sup>o</sup>: D<sup>o</sup>: 1677: the said writing was laid before John  
Richards who made oath upon the holy Evangelist before the Court that he saw John Anderson sign  
& deliver the same: /:

And the said John Anderson cometh in his own person & defendeth the same & iniquities & wrongs  
his hand to the writing but saith he hath paid the bill & thus he prayeth enquiry may be made  
in the County: Therefore it is commanded the Sheriff of this County to Impanel a Jury to come  
here of twelve whom are sworn vizt: Daniell: Curtis: Foreman James Davis John Bossman  
Nicholas Mountain Maj<sup>r</sup> Ambrose London William: Plummer Robert Catlin Junior Charles  
Hall John King Alexander Deaper John: Bishop & Henry Miles having received their  
pledge got forth: And the same day to witt the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June A<sup>o</sup>: D<sup>o</sup>: 1677: came as well the said

Maj<sup>r</sup>: John West by Thomas Poole his attorney & the said John Anderson in his own person as is said  
Jurors to witt: Daniell Curtis foreman James Davis John Bossman Nicholas Mountain Maj<sup>r</sup>  
Ambrose London W<sup>m</sup>: Plummer Robert Catlin Jun<sup>r</sup>: Charles Hall J<sup>r</sup>: King Alexander Deaper: