

And the Said John Anderson this Daye to wit the 12<sup>th</sup> Daye of June Annoq; Domini 1677 Comell & Defendant  
(in his owne person) in forme of injurie & battery & his owne is wrightening to bee signed by him but scat-  
tered all but Seaventy quarters theron to the defendant John Anderson proov. notare paid.  
But Seaventy quarters theron to said John Anderson to carrie what is due home to Major John West.

Com. for: County fs.

At a County Court held at the 12<sup>th</sup> Daye of June in a second year of the Dominion of King Charles over  
Maryland Annoq; Domini 1677 before him Gosp<sup>d</sup> Justices thereunto assynd & authorized.  
In<sup>e</sup>: William Stevens:

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| present | Col <sup>t</sup> : William: Colbourne: M <sup>e</sup> : John Winder:              |
|         | M <sup>e</sup> : James: : Jones: : M <sup>e</sup> : James Dauchie:                |
|         | M <sup>e</sup> : George: Johnson: : M <sup>e</sup> : Will <sup>m</sup> : Bracton: |

County fs.

William: Hurnis pl<sup>t</sup> Thomas Poole & pl<sup>t</sup>:

Edward: Jones: deft

County fs: Edward Jones late of this County was summond to answer unto William Hurnis of an action  
of assault & battery etc.

And whereupon to said Hurnis by his attorney Thomas Poole that he is said Edward Jones in this  
Instane bennet of June & upon his first Daye of his aforesaid bennet in yeare of our Lord God 1677: did  
upon his Gosp<sup>d</sup> high way against his plantation of William & wife made an assault & battery in said  
Hurnis & his wife did beat wound & strike intended of their lives then did despise & slight him  
hee did then to his greate damage of his plaintiff Contrary to his peace & Government of his Proprietor  
Whereupon his plaintiff saith that hee is dammified & had damage to a value of two thousand  
one hundred pounds of tobacco & whereupon brings his suit: Agnes: Thomas Poole:

And the said Edward Jones in his proper person comes & defends in forme of injurie whereupon saith that  
he is said William his attorn ought not to have by reason of said William doth declare void ofform  
& substance w<sup>t</sup>z:

1<sup>o</sup> There is no such place in this province as Com. for: it ought to have been Com. for: County fs:  
2<sup>o</sup> of an action of an assault & battery which is not English word nor is there any such action as (of an  
assault & battery) besides its contrary to its originall being assault & battery:  
3<sup>o</sup> the said indigested words are nonsense & no declaration for (And whereupon to said Hurnis by his  
attorney Thomas Poole that the the Edward Jones) not man knowes what it is that declare's  
4<sup>o</sup> hee ought to have named in yeare of his Gosp<sup>d</sup> dominion besides of abusing his Gosp<sup>d</sup> by name of  
Proprietor.

5<sup>o</sup> Contrary to his peace & Government of his proprietor the deft having never dissented any of his Gosp<sup>d</sup>  
graine.

6<sup>o</sup> And the pl<sup>t</sup> saies not if hee is dammified by reason of which nonsens & mistakes in deft saies in the few  
hee is not bound to give any further cause of threment and then hee is ready to over & praies a const<sup>t</sup>  
with the C<sup>t</sup> & damages in this cause fully sustained: Edward: Jones: : ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

Edward: wife Margaret & wife of William & wife being Sub<sup>p</sup> on a part of his plaintiff  
appear and were examined upon oaths but not taken in writing: ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

wherefore post orders of the bearing of this cause bee in next County Com<sup>t</sup> ~ ~ ~ ~ ~