Capt Henry Smith Pltf
agt
John: Franklin Defendt } Issue joynd. By way of Bond. not Bound on ye Debtor

To the Worpll the Comissioners of Somerset County the humble Petion of Henry Smith Worpll
showeth that John Cropper was indebted unto your petitioner the just sum of 2444 lbs
tobacco and Cask as per accounts appeared by him charged upon him by John Roades ye petitioner
travelt an Order against the sd John: Cropper for the above sd Sum of two thousand
four hundred fourty and four pounds tobacco and Cask and ye petitioner shall pray &c.

Mr Cropper Br. pay unto Henry Smith or Order two thousand four hundred fourty and four pds
of tobacco and Cask it being the Ballance of an Order Court obtained agt the estate of Richard
Smith, your Loving friend John: Roades.

14th June 1682. Accepted pr me John Cropper.

Returned of John: Cropper the sum of twenty one hundred and seventy pounds of tobacco
upon the acct of Mr John: Roades Gray rec. this 3rd of Feb. 1682/3. Henry Smith

Thomas: Pool sworn made Oath in Open Court that the said John Cropper did
assume payment after date of this last recit of the above sd Sum of 2444 lbs
of tobacco; which by the Court was weighed and considered to be justly due to
the sd Smith. and therupon, the Court Orders the said Dem. of the sd Estate
of John: Cropper to pay the same.

Capt Henry Smith requires a Coppie of the Order of Court agt the sd Dem to be drawn
out and sent him upon Court day which was done which proceedings in Short
are as followeth.

Maryland Somerset ss } At a County Court held by their Matie Justices of ye Peace
the 13th day of March An. Dom 1689/90 Capt Henry: Smith in propria persona
per petion sues to the Worpll Court for an Order agt the dem of John Cropper
demanded for 2444 lbs of tobacco and Cask, which Sum aforesd the said Smith makes
appear to be just and due, both by Oath and under the sd Croppers hand as upon
Record doth more amply appear, and therefore the Court having Considered ye premises
do Order the sd Dem to pay the above sd Sum viz 2444 pounds of tobacco and
Cask to the sd Smith.

Vera Copia pr John: West Clk Cur Comit Somerset

Their Matie agt
Isaque Riggin ss

Isaque Riggin being come before the justices w th his hatt on in time of Court, and for ye time
Contening is fined according to law, also Ordered to sitt four hours in ye stocks, w th he did
Likewise the sd Isaque Ordered to find security for good behaviour. And therupon
came Mr Richard: Hardwell and by Recognizance became bound with the sd Isaque
in the Condition of the sd Recognizance is such that if the above bound Isaque
shall be of good behaviour and abstain &c. all their Matie liges &c.

13 1689 } Comissioners present
Their Majesties
Sonard agt Smith } Capt David Browne. Mr William Gordens Capt Robert Coney
Mr James Conaway. Mr Samuel: Hopkins Mr Edmund Howard
Mr Thomas Gordon.

Somerset County ss Sonard Smith of this County was attached to answer before Their
Majesties Justices of the Court in Court sitting the 13th of March 1689/90 what shall be objected
agt him in behalfe of Their Matie. And Whereas the sd Sonard Smith upon the 25th day of
February last past the said Sonard at his house in Rushwadoe to admiration did most shamefully
ignominiously by words abuse Their Matie Comissioners for this County calling them Rogues, Captalls
Fools, for whipping his servant, and then and there did call their Oaths in question, averring that
they had done more than they could answer, and for their injustice done said he would have satisfaction.
not only satisfyed with his abuse and villifying language agt the whole Court in generall, but in
ye of Capt David Browne and Mr William Broxton. The said Sonard did threaten the sd Capt
Browne as Judge of Their Matie Court for this County with other abusive and hurrilous language
full vonomous and spitefull all that time he could invent or imagine, calling the sd Browne Rogue
Scitulder and impertinent him with denotation. NOW Their Matie Attorney comes and says that the sd
Sonard not only villifyed and abused Their Matie said Comissioners of this Court but called their Oaths
office in question contrary to Law. and repugnant to that sound maxim (de fido et Officio Magistratus
non argumentandum) but also by the sd example of abusing the Court, gives occasion to the good people
of Brevinte to Contemne the authority and the people of this Brevinte, also to despise the
Contry to the Breche both of the sacred Laws of God and wholsome Laws and institutions of this
Province, and Craves judgment may be entered agt the sd Offender according to Law &c.

James Sanders Clk Jnd.

The Deposition of Joseph Chapler Mert. being at the house of Sonard Smith upon ye
day of February last or there abouts where he saw Capt. David Browne and Mr William Broxton
did to admiration bear the said Smith, in a most rude and shameful manner, by words abuse
the Capt Browne and Broxton calling them Rogues. Captalls and fools for whipping his servt.
them that they and the Court had done more than they could answer, and for white injustice
would have satisfaction both of them and the Court. Mr Henry: Lynch would gladly have
persuaded the sd Smith to a forbearance his vile and rude language, but the more he seemed to persuade
further the said Smith persisted in his unworthyness, so farr as he could possibly imagine utter
out this and more more your deponent heard the said Smith say to the same effect. And the
morning Capt Browne not being out of bed so soon as company which was there, enquiry
made after the said Capt. the said Smith immediately replyed (saying) Damn him let him lye
in bed and rott and dye and perish like a Rogue as he is and further your deponent saith not.

Sworn to before the Magistrates herein specified
the 13th day of March An. Dom. 1689/90.

Robert: King
Samuel: Hopkins
James: Round
Edmund: Howard

O: West Clk Cur Comit Somerset

The Jurymen Recognizance being read
the prisoner pleads not guilty, and for