

February 11: 1690

To the wor. Justices of Somerset County now in Court sitting the humble petition of Henry Haman humbly sheweth that your petitioner was by your words bound to his behavior last March Court during your words pleasure nothing appearing and your petitioner your petitioner travels restraint from his bonds and your petitioner in duty shall ever pray — Taken Court must till March Court.

The wor. Justices of Somerset County now in Court sitting the humble petition of John Mees humbly sheweth that your petitioner was summoned by the sheriff for to attend the Court as an an Excuse on certain of Color. Whereas petitioner and Nathaniel Hartwell doth in writing your petitioner attended five days, your petitioner attended five days, your petitioner travels your words order for his attendance and your petitioner in duty shall ever pray Henry man.

The said John Mees made Oath in Open Court which allowed time viz 5 days, and that he was taken still in coming to Court. W<sup>m</sup> granted for the same. Seal of Court

Cap. Wm. Culbourn and Anne his wife. Sep. 11. Henry and Haman his wife. John. Hartwell and Katharine his wife. Nathaniel. Henry and Sarah his wife. p<sup>ts</sup>. a<sup>gt</sup>. Randall and Rowell. doth of his goods and chattels of Randall and Katharine Rowell late of this County deceased doth.

And whereas upon the plea by James Sangster their attorney comes and says, that whereas it is found is proved of the real and personal Estate of the said Randall and Katharine, and the plea being joint their wife the doth. doth keep and make up of the plea part portion of the said Estate, and the same fraudulently and craftily to detain and wrong the said plea wife the said Randall joint their to the said Estate, and there fore demands a legal partition of the said Estate to the plea great great loss and damage as will here in Court appear, and desires a writ of partition directed to the sheriff as the Law requires, and there upon brings this suit. G. S. G. S. plea of profiting } Gu. Co. King. Red.

And the said doth by Color. But their attorney comes and defends the force and injury you or and saith the doth also is not sufficient in law to maintain the action a force, for all declarations ought to be certain, as to day and place and thing sued for, whereas for want of a good declaration the doth saith he is not bound to answer the action a force, and that his payes may be enquired of by the Court. But p<sup>ts</sup> doth.

And plea by their attorney G. S. maintains the action a force. G. S.

The aforesaid Declaration and plea being read, James fairly joynd by the attorney & Sangster and But it is the judgment of the Court that the aforesaid doth are joint their wife the said Randall Rowell them to the said Randall and Katharine Rowell deceased. And therefore doth ORDER that a writ of Partition be directed to the sheriff, that the force doth forthwith deliver to the doth, viz joint their their part same portion of the force Estate declared for, left by the force Randall and Katharine Rowell deceased. the doth or joint their giving security to pay their proportionable part of the doth.

February 12: 1690  
Cases in Court were: m. Francis Gombuis. m. James. Carlisle. m. James Roun. m. Sam. Hopkin's m. Thomas. Gomb. Cap. John. King — C. Brown came after m. Gombuis by all Oaths. 52. action. Do