

Mar 10th 1696

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At the same time and after the same manner was the Brother of the said Robert. Still bound to Francis also and before us E. H.

May it please your worships
I have further to inform your worships that One day last March Com. Coming out of the Court house a Man of an indifferent stature with port held in his hand (I did afterwards understand that his name was 88 in Owen) Com. to inquire of me about the witness mentioned Robert: Still, I gave him a true account of what agreement had passed between him and his Master, he seem'd to be well satisfied with it, Only when we parted I said these words or to that effect, Let him go like a Rogue as he is, since it is so I will meddle no farther with him, that I take a firm to be the truth. my humble service to all present and Com.

Respectfull servt
of your worships humble servant

Edmund Howard

The Deposition of Richard Macure age 40 years or there about
Sun. 11. 1696

May it please your worships Some time in February last past at Grippost, coming acc'd out of the house of M. Edmund Howard, there was present John Harroth, Francis Alexander & Samuel Alexander and Robert Stitt, after I was come in to M. Edmund Howard's house I heard M. Edmund Howard read over an Indenture unto Robert: Stitt, where in the said Robert: Stitt offered himself to be bound apprentice unto John Harroth, after y^e Indenture was read I heard M. Edmund Howard ask Robert: Stitt if he was willing to subscribe and bind himself to John Harroth according to the tenour of that Indenture, he replied he was fass'd will mey M. Edmund Howard asked the sd Stitt if any man had deliv'd him, by fair words promises or threats to sett his name to that Indenture, he said no, but that of his own free will and consent would sign seal & deliver y^e Indenture, I the Exponent did see done, and am One of the witnesses to the sd Indenture, this or to the same effect as far as I can remember I heard, that the Exponent saith & no further.

Richard Macure

Also after the same manner, and at the same time, did John Stitt Brother unto Robert: Stitt bind himself by an Indenture unto Francis Alexander unto the writing Indenture Com. as a witness unto it's signing sealing and delivering
Richard Macure

sworn before us in Court. Ber 11. 1696

Theo: Jones
John King