

Joseph Isaack the Sonn of Joseph Isaack being Sixteen years of Age in February Last Came into Court and desired that Joseph Browne may be Admitted his Guardian And by the Court it is granted unto him etc.

[297] Appearances and Imparances in March Court Annoque Domini 1697.

Walter Winter against Charles Clarke – Debt 1600: the Defendant in proper person Appears and Imparls till next Court.

To these 4 Actions the Defendants by John Meriton their Attorney Appears and Imparls till next Court: Matthew Mockeboy against Hugh Jones – trespass on the Case; William Westry against William Groome – trespass on the Case; Cleborn Lomax against David Small – trespass on the Case; Charles Riggby against William Groome – trespass on the Case.

To these 2 Actions the Defendants by William Stone their Attorney Appears and Imparls till next Court: Richard Wakelin against William Davis – Debt 1716; James Willson against Steven Ashby – trespass on the Case.

Command was given to the Sheriffe of Prince Georges County that he forthwith Returne the pannell of the grand Inquest by him made which pannell being Returned and the Jurors thereon Impannelled being Called Came (Viz.) :

John Emmett, foreman, Daniell Elliott, James Cogwell, Robert Orme, Marreen Devall, John Summers, John Browne, George Prater, Daniell Danellson, Charles Waker, William Ray, Edward Dawson, William Lee, Christopher Baynes, Christopher Thompson, Thomas Lucas, William Jones, Charles Hyatt, William Conley. Sumoned by Thomas Greenfeild, Sheriffe.

Who haveing all of them taken the oath of grand Jury men went out to Consider of what matters and things Should Come before them and after Some Small time Returned with these following papers and Endorsments following (Viz.)

By his Excellency the Governour and Council February the 15th 1697/8.

Ordered that publick Inquiry be made by the Sheriffes within their Respective Counties Whether there where any horses prest for the publick use and Service of this his his Majesties Province Either by order of his Excellency or other Lawfull Authority for which Sattisfaction has not been duely made or for his Excellencys owne use without his Actuall paying for the Same A due Returne whereunto is to be made as well by the worshipfull the Justices and Grand Jury of Each County Court after the Severall County Courts to be held in March next as by the Sheriffes who are then Allsoe directed and Commanded to make this order publick and that the Same be given in Charge by the Justices to the Severall Grand Juryes for their Answer to be Returned by the Sheriffe aforesaid unto this board with all Convenient Speed It is further Ordered that the Like Inquiry be made and Answer and Returne as above whether his Excellency hath often or Ever by an Arbitrary or Milletary Power Seized mens Estates and writeings Except Some papers of Mr. John Cood and Mr. Robert Mason which he is Ready to Justife.

Signed per order Henry Denton Clerk Council.

Endorsed. Wee the Grand Jury for this County doth not find any Agreeviance from the people of this County in any of the premises in the aforesaid order of his Excellency the Governor and Councill mentioned and Expresed. John Emmet foreman.