

Party and Clerk Thomas did appear and the Attorney of the said Lord Proprietor doth give the said Justice his full power and authority to be performed that the said May Dintion of the Parish of in the County of did offend to wit the said Justice in the year four and one thousand seven hundred and Divers other times as well before as since at the Parish of in the County of within the jurisdiction of contrary to and after the Edemition of Statute with and against the Enjany of the said David contrary to the Act of Assembly in such Case made and Provided and Against the peace of the said Lord Proprietor that was in his good Rule and Government and Selfe Whereupon the same Attorney of the same Lord Proprietor Advice of the Court herein the said Justice and the said Justice of Law in this Court made Against the said Thomas to answer of upon the said Justice and Selfe

Thereupon it is Comanded the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take the said May Dintion of the Answer to And now to wit at Court of his Lordship held at Birmenham Town the third Tuesday of August being the eighteenth day of the same month Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and sixty One before the Justice through the said May Dintion by Samuel Wilson her Attorney and had hearing of the Information of said that she Committed for that she is Guilty of the said Justice in the Information of above upon her person in manner and form as by the Information of above Against her supposed and is willing to pay her fine for the same t. Whereupon all and singular the said Justice being seen and by the Court fully understood it is Considered by the Court here that the said May Dintion for the said Justice and Offence of in the Information of above specified be taken which said May Dintion present herein Committed in his proper Person as is fined for the said Justice and Offence of the sum of thirty shillings of Money of Maryland which she and herein Committed to the Sheriff for the use of the County t.

The said Justice of the Peace for his Lordship the Right Honorable the Lord Proprietor that was in the County of Somerset County upon their Oath Committed that Mollie be Wife of Henry Dintion in the County of Spicater on the first day of June in the year four and one thousand seven hundred and fifty three at the Parish of in the County of did Commit Fornication with a certain Negro Slave to the same unknown and did permit the said Negro Slave then and there to have carnal knowledge of her body and a bastard Child on the body of her said Slave there to begot to the high displeasure of Almighty God to the evil example of all Others in such Case Offending contrary to the peace of the said Lord Proprietor that was in his good Rule and Government and Against the form of the Act of Assembly in such Case made and Provided and Selfe

Thereupon it is Comanded the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take the said Mollie be if the Answer to And now to wit at Court of his Lordship held at Birmenham Town the third Tuesday of August being the eighteenth day of the same month Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and sixty One before the Justice through the said Justice of the Peace the said Mollie be in her proper Person and had hearing of the Information of said that she Committed for that she is Guilty of the said Justice in the Information of above upon her person in manner and form as by the Information of above Against her supposed. Whereupon all and singular the said Justice being seen and by the Court fully understood it is Considered by the Court here that for as much as there is due to the County of Somerset seven years Service from such Persons as are Guilty of Fornication of said and Service that shall be Committed by such Copulation become a servant until it arrive at the age of thirty One year According to Act of Assembly in such Case Provided t. that the said Mollie be become a servant for seven years for such Copulation of said that Nelly the Wife of the said she and begot by the Copulation of become a servant until she arrive at the age of thirty One year

Whereupon it is Ordered by the Court here that the said Justice be Master Service with the said Justice and the said Justice of the Peace the said Justice to the next Court to be held at Birmenham Town in the County of Somerset of the said Justice of the Peace in due to be held for the said Justice of the Peace and Service his Order that John Dintion high Sheriff of Somerset County should by sell Nelly the Wife of the said she and begot by the Copulation of to the highest bidder for the term of thirty One years to commence from the time of her death she being now seven years of age t. and after the said she and begot by the Copulation of the said Justice returned that he by virtue of the said Justice of the Peace the said Justice of the Peace should by sell Nelly the Wife of the said she and begot by the Copulation of for the term of thirty One years to commence from the time of her death she being now seven years of age to the said Justice of the Peace for three thousand One hundred pounds of Silver he being the highest bidder t.