

Thomas Ford, John Vtill next Court  
agst  
Jedon -

Richard Carter, John Vtill next Court  
agst  
Josias Kelly -

Mathew Erickson  
agst

Hent Is:

Alm Smith of Kent County: Likewise Called Alm  
Smith of Kent County Merchant was Married to Infron into Mathew  
Erickson in a plea of Trespass ony Case

And shewd upon y<sup>e</sup> Mathew by Robert Smith his Attorney Complainth  
th<sup>t</sup> Smith that y<sup>e</sup> Alm Smith to witt on y<sup>e</sup> twenty sixth of March 1688  
at y<sup>e</sup> Plantation of y<sup>e</sup> Mathew on Kent Island one servant of y<sup>e</sup> prop<sup>r</sup>  
good & Chalkits of y<sup>e</sup> Mathew w<sup>ch</sup> served as arms did board away for  
y<sup>e</sup> years of y<sup>e</sup> Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lord prop<sup>r</sup> to y<sup>e</sup> Damage of y<sup>e</sup> Mathew  
w<sup>ch</sup> y<sup>e</sup> loss of his servant cost thosand six hundred pounds of tobacco &  
shewd upon to bring his witt =

And y<sup>e</sup> Just for plea saith that he is in no waie guilty of this puts himself on y<sup>e</sup>  
Country, Juris & Just. And y<sup>e</sup> Just likewise Smith

M<sup>r</sup> Erickson I pray orde my tobacco to y<sup>e</sup> mats as yo<sup>r</sup> say it is ready for itt is  
out of hande & I sh<sup>d</sup> to go. I might have sold the servant some all time  
for a great deal more mon<sup>y</sup> than yo<sup>r</sup> was to give me for him: If yo<sup>r</sup> had not orde  
itt me by him I have give him positively orders to bring the w<sup>ch</sup> away  
from y<sup>e</sup> my friend's w<sup>ch</sup> Alm Smith

Math 25 24 To M<sup>r</sup> Mathew Erickson  
I'm forland & Alge. Bond sam<sup>e</sup> and sworn for y<sup>e</sup> Just  
Thomas Osburn sworn for Just m<sup>r</sup> Goodhand sum<sup>e</sup>

A Jury call'd & sworn. return a Verdict for y<sup>e</sup> plaintiff