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Thomas Middleton Esq^r of Somerset County
Paul Johnson Esq^r of this County was attached to answer into
of trespass on the Case And whereupon the said Thomas by Peter Doulton Attorney
Complained that whereas the said Paul the thirteenth day of December in the year of
our Lord 1693 at New Castle in the County of Accomack that is to say at New Castle within the Jurisdiction of
this Court was indebted to the said Thomas in the sum of five hundred forty five pounds
of tobacco as by a certain Note subscribed with the proper hand of him the said Paul &
the said Paul to the said Thomas in manner aforesaid being indebted, did assume that he the
said Paul the same would well and truly Content & pay Nevertheless the said Paul the said
545 Pounds of tobacco aforesaid to the honour of the said Note hath not paid but hath hitherto
refused and doth still refuse to the damage of the said Thomas of 1000 pounds of tobacco &
thereof he brings this Subscripⁿ.

Paul Johnson Esq^r of Accomack my Honor or Assignee to pay
to Thomas Middleton the full & just sum & quantity of five hundred forty five pounds of
tobacco in the aforesaid County at the Law divided it being for a valuable Consideration all
ready in hand paid & so of me the subscriber December 7 13th 1693
Paul Johnson

The Declaration and Note being read the Defendants Attorney (in Person) Confessed judgment
for 545 worth this Court grants Order for with Cost alias Executio. Ordered that
Execution be as till after Jany Court next

To the W^{or}th the Commissioners of Somerset County now in Court sitting. Elie Coleman
humbly sheweth That whereas y^e Prisoner was in ding up Court last term for
the appearance of his Wife Samaras in y^e Court last, who before that Court by assistance
of one William Cannon. Confessed my bonds, & took & carried away what little substance
I had, so that I am reduced to that poverty, that if my Neighbourhood did not extend their
Charity to me I must of necessity perish, she hath not left me a penny to buy my provision in
but hath carried away all that little I had, so that I have nothing left only a little Land.
Whereby she hath made me incapable to satisfy the bond I have given for her appearance
also. I come in here hath not been a crime proved ag^t her & before any thing proved it is
but imagining what is laid to her charge & humbly Craves y^e W^{or}th will remit him from
the afo^r bond, & as in duty bound shall ever pray etc.

The Petition aforesaid as prayed was by y^e W^{or}th Court granted

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