

Deliver up possession of their severall parcels of land to the Compt<sup>ts</sup>  
 whose undoubted Right they were nor would they discover by what right  
 or title they held the same Contrary to Equity therefore to enforce a  
 Discovery of the said will and to have the said Def<sup>t</sup> set forth &  
 discover their severall titles to their parcels of Land they so held and  
 to have an account of & Satisfaction for their profits of the same  
 and that the said Lands might be Decreed to the Compt<sup>ts</sup> and his heires for  
 ever according to the will of the said Cap<sup>t</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Hawley and that the  
 Def<sup>t</sup> might have answer made to the premises the Compt<sup>ts</sup> relieved them  
 according to Equity he humbly craved the favourable aid and assistance  
 of this Hon<sup>ble</sup> Court and that process of Subp<sup>na</sup> might be thereout  
 awarded against the said Thomas Matheue the Dea<sup>r</sup> George Charlsworth  
 Henry Ruder Joseph Hackney W<sup>m</sup> Clowd & Sarah his wife and Rich<sup>d</sup>  
 Cole to appear and answer the Premises the w<sup>ch</sup> being granted and the  
 said Def<sup>t</sup> therewithall served they appeared accordingly and the  
 said Thomas Matheue the Dea<sup>r</sup> just in his answer to the said bill & thereby  
 amongst other things did set forth that he believed the said W<sup>m</sup> Hawley had  
 such right to the premises as before is set forth and that the Compt<sup>ts</sup> was his  
 godson and there being great Intimacy between the said W<sup>m</sup> Hawley  
 and Rich<sup>d</sup> Jayther father of the Compt<sup>ts</sup> the said W<sup>m</sup> Hawley did  
 often in the Def<sup>t</sup> hearing assure the said Nicholas that he would settle  
 the premises on him in consideration of the said Nicholas maintaining  
 the said W<sup>m</sup> Hawley during his life that the said Nicholas being taken  
 a prisoner att Sevrone by the Enemies to the L<sup>d</sup> Prop<sup>ts</sup> and was  
 condemned to be shot to death but afterwards escaped and gott for England  
 and in the mean tyme the Def<sup>t</sup> had purchased of the said William Hawley  
 four hundred Acres of Land on the South side of the River Creeke called  
 Matheue hope and for the same was to give to the said William Hawley  
 five Thousand pounds of Tobacco and paid in part thereof to the said  
 W<sup>m</sup> Hawley in his life tyme to the best of the Def<sup>t</sup> Remembrance about  
 three Thousand pounds of Tobacco after which troubles arising in the  
 Country and the Def<sup>t</sup> also being in the service of the said Lord Prop<sup>ts</sup>  
 and his Lord<sup>ships</sup> Enemies having also taken the Country from his Lord<sup>ships</sup>  
 whereby also his Lord<sup>ships</sup> friends were looked on as traitors to the then  
 present Government the Def<sup>t</sup> neglected to take an assurance from

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