

against George Parker and deft. Thereby setting forth that the
 Court about four years then first viz in the year 1676 being indebted
 to Geo. Prou in the County of Calvert, and in other places in this
 Province, and likewise having Geo. Prou Indebted to him. The Court
 applied himself to the deft being an Attorney at Law and putting under
 Confidence the deft retained him in all Causes and suits at Law
 wherein the Court should, any way be Concerned, and thereupon without
 taking any Receipts, the Court trusted the said deft with the said
 bonds and accounts due to the Court, and the Court desired the said
 deft to use all speedy, Meane and Lawfull wayes that hee could to
 get in the said debts and Tobaccos. The Court informing the deft that
 the Creditors were very importunate and threatened to commence Law
 suits at Law against the Court, and the deft did at that time take into
 his Custody the said bonds and Accounts, and other writings
 did faithfully fully give to the Court to be his Attorney at Law
 to appear for him in all Causes whatsoever wherein the Court should
 any way be Concerned, And the said deft spending great friendships to
 the said Court sold him voluntarily and without asking that hee the said
 Deft would without asking any Consideration for the same but merely to
 preferre the Court Credit & that hee should pay all such sum of
 Tobaccos as the Court did then justly owe to any person or persons whatsoever
 thereby to preferre the Court Credit from commencing their Law
 suits against the Court, and that hee would pay himself if hee gott the
 Court debts in, And the Court further thought (that hee to prevent Charges at
 Law) had agreed with the greatish parts of his Creditors to pay them Cattle
 Cattle household stuff and other things in Liew of Tobaccos w^{ch} they then
 would willingly have accepted of, and thereupon would have discharged
 the Court Tobaccos being their share w^{ch} the Court although great
 Quantities due to him from other persons as aforesaid, but the deft persuaded
 the Court not to part with his said stock household stuff & other things
 telling the Court hee would preferre the same in Liew by laying downe and
 paying for the Court what Tobaccos was justly due, And the Court
 did give Credit, and hoped thereby the deft would prevent the Creditors
 from commencing their severall suits, But the deft did not pay the
 Court Creditors before they brought their respective Accounts against
 the Court, and obtained Judgments for the same. To the sum of the Court
 for cause Accion of w^{ch} in the County Court the deft charged the Court
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