

August Court 1714

Thomas Christian  
John Budd

Commanded it was by the Sheriff of Kent County the fifth day of  
March in the fourth year of the reign of the now Majesty Anne  
that he take John Budd of the said County planter etc. Did John Budd  
planter of Kent County if he should be found in his Bailment & him  
safe keep so that he have his body before the said Majesty's Justice of the next Court to be hold at the  
Court House in the Town of Chatham in said County to answer unto Mr. Thomas Christian of a plea that he render  
unto him the full and just sum of one thousand two hundred pounds of good sound merchantable leaf Tobacco  
in & from the unjustly detains etc. And that he have them & theirs the said writ etc.  
At which said next Court viz. the first day of June Annoque Domini one thousand seven hundred and  
fourteen the day of return of said writ came James Harris Esquire High Sheriff of the County and was  
return thereof in these words thereon endorsed as full viz. Non est inventus J. A. Harris that

Likewise Command was given to the Sheriff of Kent County the fifth day of June in the  
year of the reign of the now Majesty Anne and that he take John Budd of the said County planter etc.  
Did John Budd planter of Kent County if he should be found in his Bailment & him safe keep so that  
he have his body before the said Majesty's Justice of the next Court to be hold at the Court house in  
the Town of Chatham in said County to answer unto Mr. Thomas Christian of a plea that he render unto him  
the full and just sum of one thousand two hundred pounds of good sound merchantable leaf Tobacco in  
from him the unjustly detains etc. And that he have them & theirs the said writ etc.

At which said next Court viz. the third day of August in the year last mentioned the day of  
return of said writ came William Frisby Esquire High Sheriff of the County and was  
return thereof in these words thereon endorsed as full viz. Non est inventus W. Frisby the  
Bill a short note being filed therein and with the said writ and a Copy thereof Expressing the  
true Cause of Action left at the last place of the Defendants above according to act of assembly  
in such case made was as full viz. Kent County in Maryland vs Thomas Christian ag. John Budd. The  
true Cause of Action is that the said Deft. Shaws indebted to the said Plt the sum of one thousand  
two hundred pounds of Tobacco as by his bill past the 15 day of October in the year of our Lord 1713 for  
of a good note for which of said Plt hath not made any satisfaction for of same for which of said Plt  
prays that an Attachment may be him be granted according to act of assembly in such case made etc.  
At March 19. 1713.

And now at this Court viz. the third day of August Annoque Domini one thousand seven hundred  
and fourteen the said Plt. note being at Court upon calling the appearance Dabett over.  
and the Clerks of the Court informs the same that there was non est inventus in the  
said Cause before this Court and also this Court as other non est inventus which being two  
not returned non est inventus and the Attorney for the Plaintiff not being at Court to inform  
them and the season of the year for laying Attachments for Tobacco being so late that  
not withstanding the atty. for the Plaintiff not being at Court to pray of Attachment. and  
this Court being informed by several persons that the Effects of the said Deft. is Tobacco  
that is now hanging and considering that if it should be left on foot to November  
the said Tobacco may come to nothing. Therefore it is Considered by the Court