

Somerset County Court
In a Court of the Right Honourable Charles absolute Lord and Proprietary
of the Province of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. held at Dividing Creek in Somerset
County a/c by his Lordships Justices and Commissioners of the Peace the third Tuesday of August
being the twenty sixth day of the same Month and in the Eighth Year of his said Lordships Dominion &c
Ann. Dom. 1723

Present

The Worshipful
Joseph Maclester Sheriff
Maj^r. Charles Ballard
M^r. Joseph Gray
M^r. Samuel Hopkins
Capt. William Clanner
M^r. John Curuell
Capt. John Jones
Capt. William Smith
Wm. Houghton Esq.
Capt. J^r. M^r. Carter
M^r. John Handy
Gent. Justices
Thomas Hayward

The Severall Constables of the Severall hundreds in Somerset County make return to this Court of their Severall
List of taxable persons to Law &c

John Fleming Esq^r } To the worshipful Justices of Somerset County Court Now sitting the humble
for his negro to be tax free - } Petition of John Fleming humbly desireth that your worshipps will sett tax free
a certain Negro of mine that is a cripple and not capable of doing of any service
at all therefore I hope that, your Worshipps will take it into consideration and free your said Petitioner
from the Burthen that he now lies under and your Petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray
August the 12th 1723
John Fleming

Whereupon the Petition a/c being read and by the Court naturally considered &c It is thereupon
Ordered by the Court here that the said Negro of the a/c John Fleming be tax free for this year &c

John Dumbin of Somerset County committed into the Custody of the Sheriff of the same County until he gives
Security for the paym^t. of his Levy, Lewis Gale Security for the same &c

Matthew Dorman appointed Overseer of the loads in Manohin hundred in stead of Robert Wilson, to bear
the load from John Kings Mill to Major Alexanders &c

Thomas Curuell Esq^r } To the worshipful Court of Somerset County in Maryland sitting the humble Petition
a/c John Warren - } of Thomas Curuell Esq^r Executor and Administrator to the Estate of Capt. Thomas Curuell
whereas there was an Orphan Boy bequeathed to a certain Catherine Gaden by the said Orphan's father
Richard Warren dec. and the a/c Capt. Thomas Curuell Intermarried with the said Catherine Gaden, caused
the said Orphan Boy to fall into the Estate of the said Capt. Thomas Curuell and your humble petitioner
being bound by his Oath to give in the whole Estate of the said Curuell in unto the appraisers upon their
Oaths the said Boy being willing to serve until he came to the age of twenty one years old and upon
the Orphan they put an Estimation, and now the said Orphan refuses to serve therefore your petitioner
Complains to your worshipps and as in duty bound shall ever pray - Thomas Curuell
(thereupon)