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Committed to his Care Samuel Dereksone Informer - Neal Mackerle foreman

Whereupon Command is given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should cause the said John Gowler to come before the Justices of his Lordships County Court of Somerset ^{to be held at Dividing Creek} the third Tuesday of August then next and answer to his said Lordship concerning a certain Presentant against him found by the English Jury &c and that thereof he should not fail & — At which said third Tuesday of August to wit the twentieth day of the same Month and Year One thousand Seven hundred and twenty three Being the day of the return of the said Writ comes the Sheriff of Somerset County to whom the foregoing writ was directed and makes return thereof to the Court hereunder in these words First

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Whereupon the said John Gowler in his own proper person appears and averseth how he would acquit himself of the premises aforesay that of the premises aforesay he is no ways guilty thereof, whereupon the said having inspected the presentant aforesay do find it an illegal Prosecution - Wherefore it is Considered by the Justices aforesay that the said John Gowler be therof quit & he paying the several Expenses incurred due by Quantum of the Premises aforesay

Robert Houston To the worshipfull Justices of the peace for the County of Somerset now in Court sitting the petition
Recd. agt. } of Robert Houston humbly sheweth that your petitioner is arrived to the age of nearly one year,
Benj: Houston } and is now capable to receive that Estate that is left by your Petitioners dead father and the said
Estate is now in the hands of Benjamin Houston, which said Benjamin Houston is Contriving and doth
unjustly detain the same Estate that was left your petitioner. Now I humbly desire that your Worships will be
pleased to order the said Benjamin Houston to deliver the Estate to your worship's Petitioner and Ie duly bound
shall conceyve. Robert Houston

Whereupon Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should summon the said Benjamin Houston if he should be found in his Barriour that all Expenses sett aforwards be and appear before the Justices of our County Court to be held at Dividing Creek in Somerset County after the third Tuesday of August last
then next to answer the petition aforesay and that thereof he should not fail &

At which said ~~next~~ third Tuesday of August to wit the twentieth day of the same month and Year One thousand Seven hundred and twenty three comes the Sheriff of Somerset County and makes return of his said Writ in these words following First Legal Beque Jno: MacCarter Sher

Whereupon the said Benjamin Houston in his own proper person appears and the petition aforesay being
read and heard and by the Justices here fully Considered, and the Robt Houston nor no person appearing
to prosecute the said Petition, and the said Benjamin Houston saith that he is willing to deliver all that
part of the said Robt Houston's Estate in that he hath in his hands unto the said Robert Houston when
ever by him demanded & - Wherefore it is Considered by the Justices here that the said Benjamin
Houston deliver unto the said Robert Houston the petitionee all that part of his Estate that he hath after
in his hands & thereupon the said Benj: Houston is discharged therefrom &

A. Pearce To the worshipfull Justices of Somerset County now sitting the humble Petition of Ann Pearce
Recd. agt. } Sheweth. That a short time agoe a certain Alexander Culye Importuned, with your Petitioner to
Alex: Culye } (bind)