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Jacob Adams appointed Overseer of the Roads in Coconooke hundred for the ensuing year in stead of William Mathews Esq.

Solomon Tule appointed Overseer of the Roads in Manokin hundred in the stead of William Turpin

George Dashiel of Somersett County Gent. produced to this Court a Commission from Michael Howard Esq; as Clerk of the Indictments or prosecutor of his Lordship's pleas within the County of Somersett which Commission followeth in these words viz
Maryland vs. Michael Howard Esq; his Lordship the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietor of the Province of Maryland his Attorney General of said Province to George Dashiel of Somersett County Gent. Greeting Whereas I have & do repose great Trust & Confidence in your Fidelity & Integrity & also in your Skill & Knowledge in my Laws of this Province. I have thought fit to do by these presents Nominate & Appoint you of said George Dashiel to be my Deputy or Clerk of Indictments within the County of Somersett of Execution of which Office you are to prosecute all & his Lordship's pleas suits & actions within the County of Somersett and according to the best of your understanding for the due preservation of his Lordship's peace & the bringing offenders to condign Punishment to sue & prosecute all Civil & Criml Actions relating to his said Lordship's Rights & Dues & to take & receive to your own proper use & behoof all such fees Perquisites & advantages as may come Office or Deputyation do lawfully belong or appertain to you first being qualified by taking of Oath &c According to Law and Seal by me do hereby grant unto you of said George Dashiel to hold & enjoy your said Office or Deputyation during pleasure requiring under my hand & Seal this twenty eighth day of October in the Year of ye Dominion of yr Right Honourable Charles Lord Baron of Baltimore — absolute Lord & Proprietary of provinces of Maryland & Avalon anno Domini 1726

Which being read and heard, the said George Dashiel is approved of, for taking the several Oaths appointed to the government with the Oath of Prosecutor. Whereupon the said George Dashiel took the several Oaths appointed to the government with the Oath of Prosecutor and Subscribed the Oath of Abjuration and test

Somersett vs. November the fifteenth day of One thousand Seven hundred and twenty six. came into Somersett County Court, the Justices there judicially sitting, after one Negro man named Peter belonging to the estate of Joseph Gray late of the County and Gent decd and made complaint that his Mistris Elizabeth Gray Relict of the said Joseph Gray would neither give him clothing nor provision sufficient to support him being delict and almost past Labour &c

Whereupon the said Negro Peter is ordered by the Justices to the house of a certain Wescott Gray of the County and while his said Mistris Eliz Gray should return home and then