

L^d. William West } Somerset^s. Anthony West late of Somerset County Esquire
 D } was summoned to answer unto William West of a plea that he tender
 p^d. Anthony West } unto him One Negro Boy named Ishmael of the price of thirty
 pounds Sterling which from him he unjustly detains p^o _____

And whereupon the same William by Lewis Gale his attorney saith that whereas the said
 William the tenth day of June and Dow One thousand Seven hundred and twenty five at
 Somerset County afo within the Jurisdiction of this Court was Seized of One Negro Boy
 called Ishmael of the price of thirty pounds Sterling money of Maryland as his proper
 negro and so thereof being Seized, afterwards that is to say being the same day and
 year afo the afo negro at Somerset County afo within the afo Jurisdiction out of his
 hands and Seizure Casually Lost which said Negro afterwards that is to say the
 same day and year afo at Somerset County afo within the afo Jurisdiction to the hands
 and Seizure of the afo Anthony by finding same, and in the Seizure and custody
 of the said Anthony yett is, by which action did accrue to the said William to have
 and receive of the said Anthony the negro afo ^{nevertheless the said Anthony his own Negro to separate the Negro afo} to the same William hath not delivered but the
 said Anthony the said Negro to the said William hitherto to deliver hath denied and still
 doth deny and unjustly detain where by the same ^{Will^m} says he is worse and hath damage to the
 value of fifty pounds Cur^t. money and thereof he brings this Suit p^o _____

L^d Gale of Que^r. Seizer & Juror R^o Roe.

And the said Anthony West in his own proper person Cometh and defendeth the force
 and injury when he and prays Leave to Judge hereunto unto the next Court and he
 hath it and the same day is given to the afo off here also _____

All which said next Court to wit the fifteenth day of Novemb. and Dow One thousand
 Seven hundred and twenty six came againe, was the afo William West by his attorney
 afo, as the afo Anthony West in his proper person, and thereupon the said Anthony West
 puts in his plea George Dashiell of Somerset County Gent and attorney at Law to be retained
 to act in the premises afo, and hereupon the said Anthony West by George Dashiell
 his attorney as before Defends the force and injury when p^o and says that he is not
 guilty of the premises above Jugored upon him in manner and form as the afo against
 him hath Complained and of this he puts himself upon the Country - and the Oath
 Likewise - Thereupon Command is given to the Sher^{iff} of Somerset County that ^{immediately}