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the said Edward Hough Shall Recover Judgment in the plea aforesaid against the said John Bishop or that the said John Bishop Shall be therein Condemned that then he the said John Bishop Shall pay the Condemnation of the Court thereupon or Render his Body to the Custody of the Sheriff of Somerset County in Satisfaction thereof or that he of said Abraham Smith will do it for him - thereupon the said John Bishop in his own proper person appears & Impugnes the next Court &c

Maryland: **KNOW** all men by these presents that we Francis Allen Edward Hough and Southey Whittington of Somerset County in the province aforesaid are hold and firmly Bound unto the Right honorable Charles absolute Lord and Proprietary of the province of Maryland and avelon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c In the full Sum and Just quantity of two hundred thousand pounds of good sound merchantable Virgin tobacco and Togue to be paid to his said Lordship his heirs and Successors to the which payment well and truly to be made we bind Our selves and Every of us, Our and every of Our heirs Executors and Administrators Joyfully and Severally for the whole and in the whole firmly by these presents Sealed with Our Seal and dated the 4<sup>th</sup> day of September in the tenth year of his Majesty's dominion **Charles the 6<sup>th</sup> 1725**

**The Condition** of the above Obligation is Such that if the above Bound Francis Allen do well and truly Serve the Right honorable the said Proprietary his heirs and Successors in the Office of High Sheriff of the County of Somerset within the province aforesaid, and in all things well and faithfully Execute the same Office and also Shall Render unto his said Lordship and Other his Officers a true faithful and perfect account of all and Singular his said Lordship's Rights and dues &c to his Officers, a true and Just account of their fees that he Shall or may be Entrusted with by his said Lordship's Governour and Other his Officers within this province to receive and Collect and his account to his said Lordship his heirs and Successors and to his and their Governour, here - for the time being, for the fines and forfeitures and Other dues belonging to his said Lordship's Governour as also his account of all fees dues, and Sums of money or tobacco due to any the good people within this province for any Sum or Sums of money or tobacco where with the said Sheriff Shall be Entrusted during the time of his Sherifalty for this present year or to such of them as Shall require the same, Shall give and Render by the tenth day of may next ensuing the date here of and in all other things as Sheriff of the County of Somerset Shall behave him self well and lawfully to all persons according to the best of his power Skill and Knowledge then his Obligation to be void of None Effect or Obligation in full force Strength & Virtue -

Sealed & Delivd. in presence of us  
Sam: Hogkin  
Wm: Claver  
Jed: Smith

*[Handwritten flourish]*

Francis Allen  
Edward Hough  
Southey Whittington