

In the court of the Right honorable Charles, absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Province of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. held at dividing Creek in Somerset County by his said Lordship's Commissioners and Justices of the peace the third Tuesday of June being the Twentieth day of the same month and in the twelfth year of his said Lordship's dominion &c. and Dated 1727

Present

The Worshipful

- Mr. John Hopkins
- Mr. William Blanner
- Mr. John Jones
- Mr. Wm. Pasitt
- Mr. John Smith
- Mr. Wm. Stoughton
- Mr. John Caldwell
- Mr. John Muffler
- Mr. John Hardy
- Mr. James Dashiell
- Mr. John Scott

his Lordships Justices

By Ebenezer Cooke

Francis Allen Sheriff

Thomas Hayward Esq.

vs. John Bishop

Somerset Co. John Bishop late of Somerset County horse fanner was summoned to answer unto Ebenezer Cooke of a plea that he tender unto him one gelding of the price of twenty £. Curr. money which from him he unjustly detained. And whereupon the same Ebenezer by Levin Gale his attorney at the law where the same Ebenezer ~~was~~ the tenth day of January Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred & twenty five at Somersett City afo within the Jurisdiction of this Court was possessed of the gelding of the price of twenty £. Curr. money of Maryland as his proper gelding & so thereof being possessed afterwards to witt of some day & year afo at the City afo the same gelding out of his hands & possession (as usually is) within the afo Jurisdiction & possession of y^e afo John Bishop by finding cause in the possession & custody of y^e same John Bishop yet is by which action hath accrued to y^e said Ebenezer to have & receive of y^e afo Jurisdiction y^e gelding afo never the less y^e said John through of ten thereto requested y^e gelding afo to y^e said Ebenezer hath not delivered but y^e afo Jurisdiction y^e gelding afo to y^e said Ebenezer to deliver hath denied & still doth deny & unjustly detain to y^e said Ebenezer the said Ebenezer twenty £. Curr. money and thereof he brings this Suite &

Levin Gale of New Jersey & the Dock House

And the afo John Bishop by George Dashiell his attorney comes and defends the force and injury when &c. and pray leave to Jugate hereunto until the next Court & he hath it and the same day is given to the afo Esq here also

At which said next Court to witt the sixteenth day of August and Dated One thousand seven hundred and twenty six came again as well the afo Ebenezer Cooke as the afo John Bishop by their attorneys afo, and whereupon the same John Bishop by his said attorney pray further leave to Jugate hereunto until the next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the afo Esq here also

At which said next Court to witt the fifteenth day of November and Dated One thousand seven hundred and twenty six came again as well the afo Ebenezer Cooke as the afo John Bishop by their attorneys afo, and whereupon the same John Bishop by his said attorney, pray further leave to Jugate hereunto until the next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the afo Esq here also

At which said next Court to witt the twenty first day of March and Dated One thousand seven hundred and twenty seven