

Somerset sh. A Court of the Right honorable Charles absolute Lord and Proprietary of the provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. held at Dingling Beck in Somerset County the 18th day of November being the Eighteenth day of the same month and in the fifteenth year of his said Lordships Dominion Anno: Dom: 1729 - - -

Present.

The Worshipfull ..	{	Mr: William Blanner	}	Mr. John Aldwell	His Lordships
		Mr John Jones -		Mr. Geo Muffster.	
		Mr William Savitt -		Mr John Hardy -	
		Mr John Smith -		Mr James Dashiell -	
		Mr William Stoughton		Mr John Scott -	
John Burnell fled					Thomas Hayward Esq.

His said Lordships Commission of the Peace for the County of Somerset being here produced was read in these words following vizt -

Maryland sh. Charles absolute Lord and Proprietary of the provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. To Samuel Hopkins Wm. Blanner, John Jones, Wm. Savitt, John Smith, Baltimore hundred William Stoughton, John Aldwell, John Muffster, John Hardy, James Dashiell, John Scott, and Robert King of Somerset County Gent. greeting Know ye that we have assigned you and every of you and jointly and severally our Justice, to keep our Peace within our County of Somerset and to do Equall Law and Right to all the Kings Subjects Rich and poor according to the acts of asembly of our said Province of Maryland so far forth as they provide and where they are silent according to the Laws Statutes and reasonable Customs of England agreeable to the Usage and Constitution of the same Province for the Conservation of the Peace and quiet rule and Government of the Kings Subjects within our said County and to chastise and punish all persons offending against the said acts laws Statutes and Customs or any of them according to the directions thereof or to call before you or any of you who in our County shd shall threaten to do any bodily harme to any of the Kings Subjects or to burn their houses or otherwise to break their peace and misbehave themselves to find sufficient security of the Peace and good behavior to us and the said Subjects and if they shall refuse to find such security that then you cause them to be committed into safe custody, until they shall be delivered by due course of Law from thence Also we have assigned you and every three of you or more of you of whom we will you the said Samuel Hopkins, William Blanner, John Jones, William Savitt and John Smith Bail: Hundred or any of you always to be our our Justice to Enquire by the Oath of good and lawful of our County and by whom the truth of the premises may be the better known of all and all manner of felonies, witchcrafts, Enchantments, Sorceries, arts Magick, heaspaper, Burglary, regualings, forestallings and Extortions whatsoever and of all other Misdemeanors and offenses whatsoever of which Justice of the Peace lawfully may or ought to Enquire by whomsoever or howsoever in our County shd done or committed or which may hereafter happen to be done or committed and also of all those who in our County shd in riotous manner have gone or rode or shall hereafter presume to goe or ride with armed force against our Peace to the disturbance of the Kings Subjects and of all such who in our County shd have Lani or shall hereafter