

for the County of Somerset in the province of Maryland the above named Samuel Hopkins Jure and made Oath upon the holy Evan-
gelist of Almighty God that the above amount is just and true and that he hath not, nor any one for him to the best of his knowledge
received any part or parcel thereof and that he is credibly informed the above Benic Dant is now lately and actually deceased
hath removed and carried away a great part of his substance without consent to receive his Creditors and from Justice as without my
hand & day and year above - - -

John Holt

M^r. Hayward

In the above named Samuel Hopkins Jure having made Oath as above before me
I give attachment for the above debt due to him against the Effects of Benic Dant late of Somerset County merchant Pursuant to act of
assembly the 25th May 1790 To M^r. Thomas Hayward Esq. of said County these -

Pursuant to an act of assembly in such cases provided the following Judgment was I find against the Effects of the
aforesaid Benic Dant, the tenor whereof is in these words to wit -

Somerset sh

Charles absolute Lord and Proprietary of the province of Maryland and avow Lord Baron
of Baltimore To the Just. of Somerset County greeting we command you that you attach any the goods or Chattels Rights or Credits of
of Benic Dant late of Somerset County merchant if they shall be found in your Bailiwick to the value of fourteen pounds Eight shillings
current money and five hundred pounds of tobacco and when you have the same so attached or any part thereof the same in your
Custody safe keep so if you have them before y^e Justices of our County to be sold at dividing
week of third Tuesday of June next then there to be condemned according to act of assembly
to go for the use of a certain Sam. Hopkins Jure unless the said Benic Dant by himself
or his atty shall appear cause into the said Sam. Hopkins Jure in a plea of trespass
upon y^e Case &c. According to Law that by good Lawfull men of your Bailiwick you
make Oath unto y^e Person or Persons in whose hands you make the same Attachment
that he she or they be appear before y^e Justices of our County to be held as aforesaid to shew
Cause if any they be sh^d they have why y^e same goods Chattels Rights or Credits so attached
in his her or their hands Ought not to be condemned & execute there of had & made
According to the form of the act of assembly in such case made & provided it to him her
or them self shall seem meet How you shall Execute this Writ that you make known
unto our said Justices at y^e Day & Place aforesaid & have you then there this Writ Witness Will.
Blanner Gent one of our Justices of our County the twentieth Day of March in the fifth year of
our said Dominion &c. A.D. 1790. one thousand Seven hundred and twenty nine

Which said third Tuesday of June to wit the sixteenth day of the same month and year one thousand
seven hundred and thirty being the day of the return of the said Writ Cometh the said Samuel Hopkins in his own
proper person and the sh^d. of Somerset County to wit in the same return was directed & made & returned
whereof as followeth to wit. By Verne of the within writ to me directed I have attached of the goods of Benic Dant
four hundred forty two pounds of tobacco also one three years old steer of the value of two hundred and fifty
pounds of tobacco in the within named Samuel Hopkins own hands to be condemned for his use &c. as by the
within Writ I am commanded before Luiton Townend and John Doe good and Lawfull men of my Bailiwick
John Burnall Just.

Whereupon the said Samuel Hopkins prays that the said four hundred and forty pounds of tobacco, and three
years old steer of the value of two hundred and fifty pounds of tobacco so as aforesaid attached as of the Rights and
Credits of the said Benic Dant may be condemned for his use, towards satisfying y^e said fourteen pounds Eight
shillings current money and all costs accruing upon the attachment aforesaid.

Therefore it is considered by the Justices here that the said sum of four hundred and forty -
pounds of tobacco and one three years old steer of the value of two hundred and fifty pounds of tobacco so
as aforesaid attached as of the Rights and Credits of the said Benic Dant towards satisfying unto the said Sam.
Hopkins as well the sum of fourteen pounds Eighteen shillings current money as also all costs accruing upon
the writ of attachment aforesaid, and that the said Samuel Hopkins have thereof his Execution according to act of
assembly &c.