

Thomas Bluet Clerk: who presents for the Lord proprietary and gives this Court to understand and be informed that Bridgett Phillips Late of the said County Spinter the first day of April in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and thirty One in the County aforesaid and within the Jurisdiction of this Court did Commit Fornication with a certain James Decker of the County aforesaid planter and him the said James on the Body of the said Bridgett abashed Child to begett did permit to the high displeasure of almighty God and to the Evil example of all others in such Cases offending and against the form of the act of assembly in such Cases made and provided wherefore the said Thomas Bluet pray the advice of the Court in the premises & due process of Law therein against the said Bridget to issue.

Whereupon Command was given to the Just. of Somerset County that he should take the said Bridget Phillips wife to answer to: and afterwards here at this Court held at dividing Creek in Somerset County the first week day of August aforesaid. One thousand Seven hundred and thirty two before the Justices of the same Court Judicially sitting came the said Bridget Phillips in her proper person according to a certain Recognizance by her & her pledges in that part before acknowledged and being instantly demanded how she would acquit herself of the premises aforesaid above upon her Impore, say that of the premises aforesaid above upon her Impore she is guilty thereof and makes oath that a certain James Decker is the begetter of the Child she stands charged against her. whereupon all and singular the premises by the Court here seen heard and fully understood. It is considered by the Court how that the aforesaid Bridgett Phillips pay unto his said Lord

the Lord proprietary (to the use of Somerset County) for her fine by the Court here upon Impore for and by default of the premises aforesaid whereof in form aforesaid she is convicted six hundred pounds of tobacco and that the said Bridget Phillips be taken to satisfy his said Lordship of the fine aforesaid. Whereupon the said Bridgett Phillips is ordered to give Security for the payment of the fine aforesaid and the Several Officers their fees due by means of the premises aforesaid. - Whereupon a certain James Gunnis of the County aforesaid planter present herein Court undertakes for to pay the fine aforesaid and the several Officers fees due by default of the premises aforesaid. Likewise it is ordered by the Court that the aforesaid Bridgett Phillips give Security for her appearance at November Court next to give Evidence against the said James Decker - Whereupon the aforesaid Bridgett Phillips with James Gunnis ~~and~~ her Security both present herein Court acknowledged themselves to owe and stand justly indebted unto his Lordship

the Right honorable the Lord proprietary in the Sum of ten pounds Sterling each of their Lands & tenements Separately to be made and Levied to the use of his said Lordship the Lord proprietary his heirs and assigns - If it happen the said Bridgett Phillips do not make her personall appearance before the Justices of his Lordships County Court at dividing Creek in the same County the third Wednesday of November next, and do not then and there give such Evidence as she shall know against James Decker concerning the premises aforesaid, and do not depart the same Court without License thereof.