

Required to Issue an attachment on behalf of James Shirley for the sum as in the Act herewith sent you proved with the Incident Charges according to the form of an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided and for your doing this shall be your warrant as witness my hand this twenty fifth day of May Ann Dom. 1731

To William Hayward Esq of Somerset County

In Scob -

Pursuant to an Act of Assembly of this province now in force and by virtue of the above warrant was issued the following attachment against the Goods Chattels Rights or Credit of Robert Adkins Esq -

Somerset's Charles absolute Lord and Proprietary of the provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore To the Sher of Somerset County Greeting we Command you that you attach any the Goods Chattels Rights or Credit of Robert Adkins Esq of Somerset County Mayor if they shall be found in your Bailiwick to the value of fourteen hundred pounds of tobacco, and one pound three Shillings and Six pence and when you have the same attached or any part thereof the same in your Custody safe keep so that you have the same before our Justices of our county Court of Somerset to be held at Dorchester Court the third Tuesday of June next then and there to be condemned according to Act of Assembly to and for the use of a certain James Shirley unless the said Robt Adkins by himself or his attorney shall appear and answer unto the said James Shirley in plea of Trespass upon the case &c according to Law and that by good and Lawfull men of your Bailiwick you make known unto the person or persons in whose hands you make the same attachment that he or they be and appear before our Justices of our county Court to be held as aforesaid to show cause if any he or they have why the same goods Chattels Rights or Credit so attached in his hands or their hands ought not to be condemned and Execution thereof had and made according to Act of Assembly in such case made and provided if to him her or their it shall seem meet and how you shall execute this Will that you make known unto our said Justices at the day and place aforesaid and have you then and there this Will witness Wm Clammer Gent one of our Justices of our said Court the ^{twentieth} day of March In the sixteenth year of our Dominion &c Ann Dom one thousand seven hundred and thirty -

At which said third Tuesday of June to witt the fifteenth day of the same month and Ann Dom one thousand seven hundred and thirty one being the day of the return of the said Writ Cometh the said James Shirley by Levi Gates his attorney and the Sher of Somerset County to whom the foregoing writ was directed likewise cometh and maketh Return thereof to the Court how Endorsed viz -

To the worshipfull the Justices of the Court within mentioned I Certifie that I have attached two horse appraised to fifteen hundred pounds of tobacco as the Goods and Chattels of Robert Adkins and have delivered the same unto the within named James Shirley .. John Sumner Sher

Wherupon the said James Shirley by his attorney aforesaid comes into court and prays that upon giving Security according to Act of Assembly the aforesaid two horse of the value of fifteen hundred pounds of tobacco as of the Rights and Credit of the said Robert Adkins may be condemned for the use of the said James Shirley towards satisfying unto the said James Shirley the aforesaid fourteen hundred pounds of tobacco & one pound three Shillings and Six pence Law money -

Therupon a certain Levi Gate of Somerset County Esq being present before the Court undertakes for the said James Shirley according to Act of Assembly that if in Case the said Robert Adkins do at any time appear within a year and a day and make or any part of the said James Shirley's Claim against him to be satisfied or otherwise to have been made before the Expiry of this attachment, that then he the said James Shirley shall