

of the County of and from all Lays Charges and troubles whatsoever for or by reason of the birth Maintenance Nurish-  
ing and bringing up the Child of and from all Suits troubles Charges troubles and Demands whatsoever  
relating or concerning of the same &c

His Lordship } Somerset County }  
William Langdale } of the right honorable the Lord Proprietary that now is who for the same Lord Proprietary in this  
part prosecuteth doth come here into the County of the same Lord Proprietary for the County of  
to wit at Dividing Creek in the County of the twentieth day of November in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven-  
hundred and thirty and three before Robert King Esq and his associates the said Lord Proprietary his Justices of the same  
County Court and for the time Lord Proprietary doth give the same Justices here to understand and be Informed that  
William Langdale late of Kespney parish in the County of the said Lord Proprietary the tenth day of November in the Year of  
our Lord God Seventeen hundred & thirty three at the parish of in the County of within the Jurisdiction of this  
Court did Commit fornication with a certain Margaretta Causey and of her body then and there had carnal know-  
ledge and begot Child on the body of her the said Margaretta then and there did begett to the high displeasure  
of Almighty God to the vile example of all others in such Case Offending Contrary to the peace of the said Lord  
Proprietary that now is his good rule and Government and against the form of the act of assembly in such Case  
Lately made and provided &c Whereupon the same attorney of the same Lord Proprietary for the same Lord  
Proprietary prayeth the advice of the Court here in the premises and that due proof of Law in this part  
against the said William Langdale may be made to answer unto the said Lord Proprietary of and upon  
the premises &c

Thereupon Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take the said  
William Langdale if he to answer &c and now afterwards to wit the nineteenth day of March one thousand  
Seven hundred and thirty three before the Justices of his said Lordships County Court of Somerset here hold at  
Dividing Creek in and for the County of the said William Langdale in his proper person and being by  
the Sheriff set to the bar is thereupon Instantly demanded how he would acquitt himself of the premises  
&c says that of the premises &c so as &c above upon him Imposed he is Gilty thereof and is willing to  
pay his fine for the fact &c. Whereupon all and Singular the premises by the Court here being seen heard  
and fully understood. It is Considered by the Court here that the said William Langdale pay to his Lord-  
ship the Lord Proprietary (for the use of the County of) thirty Shillings Current money for his fine by  
Reason of the premises above upon him Imposed and that the same William Langdale be taken to  
satisfie his said Lordship of the fine &c. Whereupon It is ordered by the Court that the said William  
Langdale give security for the payment of the severall Officers fees due by Reason of the premises  
&c Whereupon Elgar Ditch of Somerset County planter present herein Court undertakes for the said  
William Langdale for to pay the severall Officers fees due &c &c