

fraud deceit or the procuring of any such crime or wickedness and from all manner of Notes Blots  
 or Suspicion whatsoever of any of them by the whole course of his life hitherto ~~erect~~ free  
 Innocent untouched unpolluted and altogether unsuspected hath lived and remained by reason  
 whereof the said Saul not only the favour Love and Good Will of his Neighbours and  
 other faithful Siege Subjects of Our Lord the King now had and Obtained but also himself  
 fame Credit and Tenements and all and singular his Goods and Chattles safe and Unhurt  
 hath kept and preserved in Nowise Subject to the Rigor of the Law for such like offences  
 made and provided Nevertheless the aforesaid Thomas not being Ignorant of the premises but  
 Envyng the happy Estate and Condition of the said Saul Maliciously plotting and Deceitfully  
 Intending the said Saul not Only of his Good Name fame Credit and Esteem aforesaid to Deprive  
 and Spoile and him the said Saul into the hatred and Evil Opinion of all his Neighbours and  
 other faithful Siege Subjects aforesaid to Duress and bring but also to cause him innocently to be  
 brought in Danger of suffering Corporal Punishment and for feiting four fold as the Law  
 in such Cases Directs the aforesaid Thomas the Twentieth Sixth Day of February and Dowd Seventeen  
 hundred and thirty Two at the house of a certain Samuel Mayo in Nafwatax Neck in the County  
 of Somerset aforesaid Within the Jurisdiction of this Court then and there having Communication  
 and Speech with sundry faithful Subjects of Our Lord the King now his Neighbours concerning  
 some hogs then and there <sup>being of the proper mark of the said Samuel Mayo</sup> lying Dead and Killed by the said Samuel Mayo these false feigned  
 Scandalous <sup>malicious</sup> Opprobrious Words following of him the said Saul in the presents and hearing of sundry  
 Siege Subjects of Our Lord the King now then and there being present and hearing them and there  
 openly and publicly falsely and Maliciously did speak assert pronounce and with a loud Voice  
 publish vizt. I (myself the said Thomas Meaning) saw Saul Townend (the aforesaid Saul Towne  
 send meaning) bring home (to the dwelling <sup>house</sup> of the said Saul Meaning) two Dead Hogs of your  
 mark (meaning two Dead Hogs belonging to and of the proper Marke of the said Samuel Mayo)  
 and called me up to help to Clean them when as in truth the said Saul no such wicked and base  
 crime Ever Committed or perpetrated by reason of the speaking publishing and Declaring of which  
 false Infamous and Scandalous word the said Saul not only of his Good Name fame Credit and Repute  
 aforesaid is Very Much hurt but also sundry Sums of Money and Tobacco for asserting and bearing  
 his Innocency in that part is forced to Lay out and Expended to the Damage of the said Saul of ten  
 thousand pounds of Tobacco and thereupon he brings suite &c

pledges E. John Doe  
 B. Roe  
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And the said Thomas Kellsid by George Douglas his attorney Comes and defends the force and Injury