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and bringing up of the aforesaid Bastard Child and of and from all other suits Charges troubles and demands
whatsoever touching or concerning the same

His Lordship } Somerset County. The Jurors for the Right Honourable
Francis Johnson } the Lord Proprietor that now is for the County of Somerset County
of Stegney parish in the County of Spinstor the first day
of March in the year of our Lord God Seventeen hundred thirty and four
at the parish aforesaid in the County aforesaid within the Jurisdiction of this Court
did commit fornication with a certain Stephen Lark and did permit the
same Stephen Lark then and there to have carnal knowledge of her body
and to beget there and there a bastard Child on the body of her the said
Francis to the high displeasure of Almighty God to the evil Example
of all others in such case offending, contrary to the peace of the said
Lord Proprietary that now is his good rules and Government and against
the form of the act of a Assembly in such case lately made provided
Test Isaac Hardy ----- On the backside of the foregoing bill of Judgment
it was Endorsed as followeth Vizt ----- Willa Vera Robt. Somefoeman

Thereupon Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should
take the said Francis Johnson if he to answer and after ward to with the
Eighteenth day of March and Dom One thousand Seven hundred and thirty
four before the Justices of his Lordship County Court of Somerset now here
held at Dividing Creek in the same County came the said Francis Johnson
in her proper person according to a certain Recognizance by her and her
Security before that time acknowledged and had a hearing of the Judic
ment aforesaid and thereupon she is instantly demanded how she would acquit
herself of the premises aforesaid so as aforesaid above upon her Impared; says that
she is guilty thereof and is willing to pay her fine for the fact aforesaid
Whereupon all and Singular the premises by the Court here seen heard &
fully understood - It is considered by the Court here that the said Francis
Johnson pay unto his Lordship the Lord Proprietor for her fine by the Court
hereupon her Impared for and by occasion of the premises aforesaid whereof
in form aforesaid she is convict thirty Shillings Current money for the use of
the County aforesaid and that the said Francis Johnson be taken to satisfy his
Lordship of the fine aforesaid ----- Whereupon the said Francis Johnson
is ordered to give Security for the payment of the severall Officers fees due
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