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Justices here that the aforesaid John Townsend Senr. be discharged from paying of Taxes for the aforesaid Negro Dick
as by the petition aforesaid is praid &c.

George Dial } To the worshipfull Justices of Somerset County The petition of
pet^r. o } George Dial humbly sheweth that he is held as a servant by
George Bouds. } One George Bouds of this County without any reason or
grounds whatsoever your petitioner therefore humbly prays that
summons may issue against the aforesaid George Bouds to shew cause wherefore he
detains your petitioner as a servant and he will pray.

Thereupon Command is given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that immediately he summon the above
said George Bouds that all excuses set apart he be and appear before the Justices of his Lordships County
Court of Somerset now here held at Diving Creek in and for the same County to answer the petition
aforesaid, of the aforesaid George Dial &c. — and afterwards in the same Court before the Justices there
of came the said Sheriff and made return that he had summoned the said George Bouds as by
the precept aforesaid he was commanded &c. and thereupon came herunto Court the said George
Bouds in his proper person, and the petition aforesaid being read and heard, the said George Bouds
freely Confesseth herunto Court that will not any further or longer detain the said Geo: Dial in his
County as a servant by any indenture or otherwise &c. — Wherefore it is considered by the Justices
here that the aforesaid George Dial from the service of the aforesaid George Bouds be quiet and go
his way without day &c.

Rt Hon^{ble} John Williams } His Lordship the Right honourable the Lord Proprietary of the province of
Martin Denton. } Maryland Commanded the Sheriff of Somerset County by his writ in these words follows

Somer. p. Charles absolute Lord and Proprietary of the provinces of
Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. To the Sheriff of Somerset County greet-
ing we Command you that you attach any of the Goods Chattels Rights or Credits
of Martin Denton late of Somerset County Esquire if they shall be found in
your bailiwick to the value of Sixty four pounds fifteen shillings and four pence
halfe peny current money and one thousand pounds of tobacco and when you
have the same attached or any part thereof of the same in your custody safe
keep so that you have the same before our Justices of our County Court of Som^{er}
to be held at Diving Creek the third Tuesday of March next then and there to
be condemned according to act of assembly and for the use of a certain John
Williams unless the said Martin Denton by himself or his attorney shall
appear and answer unto the said John Williams in a plea of Trespass upon
the case &c according to law, and that by good and lawfull men of your Bailiwick
which you make known unto the person or persons in whose hands make the
same attachment, that he she or they be and appear before our Justices of
our County Court to be held as aforesaid to shew cause if any he, she or they have
(why)