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body of her the same Eliz<sup>t</sup> to the high displeasure of almighty God to the like 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 made and provided &c

Test<sup>d</sup> Thomas Walker

On the Backside of the foregoing Bill of Indictment it was thus Endorsed viz

Billa vera Edmund Haugh foreman.

Thereupon command was given to the shrievalty of

Somerset County that he should take the said Eliz<sup>t</sup> Hickman ift<sup>t</sup> to answer it<sup>t</sup> and afterwards to will fifteenth day of June instant One thousand seven hundred and Ninety six before the Justices of His Lordship's County Court of Somerset now here held at Bridgwater in and for the same County came the said Eliz<sup>t</sup> Hickman in her proper person and had a hearing of the Indictment afo<sup>d</sup> and being instantly demanded how she would acquit her self of the premises afo<sup>d</sup> by the Indictment afo<sup>d</sup> is above upon her imposed, saith that of the premises afo<sup>d</sup> by the Indictment above upon her imposed she is guilty thereof and is willing to pay her fine for the same afo<sup>d</sup> & makes oath that afo<sup>d</sup> John Cameron is the father & Begitter of the child she stands indicted for

Whereupon all and singular the premises by the Court here seen heard and fully understood It is thid upon considered by the Court here that the said Eliz<sup>t</sup> Hickman pay unto his Lordship the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary for her fine by the Court here upon her imposed for and by reason of the premises afo<sup>d</sup> whereof in sum afo<sup>d</sup> she is bound thirty shillings Court money of Maryland for the use of the County afo<sup>d</sup> and that the said Eliz<sup>t</sup> Hickman be taken to Satisfie his said Lordship of his fine afo<sup>d</sup> whereupon the said Eliz<sup>t</sup> Hickman is ordered to give security for the several Officers fees due by reason of the premises afo<sup>d</sup> Whereupon a certain William Stoughton of Somerset County Gent present herein Court undertaken for the said Eliz<sup>t</sup> Hickman for to pay the several Officers fees due as afo<sup>d</sup> upon the Indictment afo<sup>d</sup> &c

The same  
Sarah Gloster

Somerset County afo<sup>d</sup>. The Jurors for the right honourable the Lord Proprietary that now is for the body of Somerset County afo<sup>d</sup> upon their oath do present that Sarah Gloster late of Stepney Parish in the County afo<sup>d</sup> Spinst<sup>r</sup> the last day of February in the year of our Lord God seventeen hundred thirty and five at the parish afo<sup>d</sup> in the County afo<sup>d</sup> within the tow<sup>r</sup> of this Court did commit fornication with a certain person to the Jurors afo<sup>d</sup> unknown and did permit the same unknown person 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 same Sarah 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 rule and Government and against the form of the act of assembly in such case made and provided &c

Test<sup>d</sup> William Moore On the Backside of the foregoing Bill of Indictment it was endorsed as follows  
vth d<sup>r</sup> Billa vera Edmund Haugh foreman --- Thereupon command was given to the Sheriff of