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Lambden his actions against them the said Thomas Gardner and Thomas Billings to have and main-
tain ought &c As to the first plea of the afo^d Thomas Gardner and Thomas Billings the afo^d Tho-
mabden putteth himself the Country in like Manner — And the afo^d Thomas Lambden further saith
that by anything by the afo^d Thomas Gardner or Thomas Billings, & as afo^d above by his recd plea
by pleading alleged from having his action afo^d to be precluded ought not, because he saith that the
afo^d Thomas Gardner or Thomas Billings, & as afo^d the tenth day of february in the year of our Lord
seventeen hundred and thirty three at Somerset County had divers Goods and Chattels which were of the afo^d
William Smith at the time of his death in their hands to be Administered to the Value of eighty four pounds
five shillings and two pence half penny therewith the afo^d Thomas Lambden of his damages afo^d might
have been satisfied to wit at Somerset County afo^d And this before ays may be enquired by the ~~Court~~
and the afo^d Thomas Billings and Thomas Gardner in like manner

Thereupon as to the Tryng of the Diver afo^d it is commanded the Sheriff of Somerset Com-
y that immediately he Should cause to come here before the Justices of His Lordships County Court
of Somerset now here sitting at Bridgwater in the same County twelve J^r by whom & and who will be
to recognise & because as well &c and afterwards immediately come thereof the Jury & and the Jurors
of that same Jury by Joseph Maulster Esq^r Sheriff of the County afo^d to this Impannelled being called
came to wit Robert Jones Joseph Walker Christopher Nutten Angells Alleson Wm. Carter Thomas Leek
Thomas Winder Jonathan Sturges John Reddish Charles Townsend John Roach and Benjamin Townsend.
who to say the truth of the premises afo^d being duly Chated tryed and Sworn upon their Oath do say that the
afo^d William Smith in his life time did affump^t upon himself in manner and form as the said Thomas
Lambden above hath complained, and that the said Thomas Billings and Thomas Gardner had not fully —
Administered all the goods and chattels which were of the afo^d William Smith as by their plea afo^d above
alleged, and affested the damages of the same Thomas Lambden by reason of the Non performance of the
promise and affump^tion afo^d further than his Cost and Charges by him about his suit in that part apposed
to Eighty One pounds five Shillings and two pence half penny Current money of Maryland and for those
Costs and Charges to One pound of tobacco —

Whereupon the said Thomas Billings and Thomas Gardner by their attorney afo^d pray that noe Indig^r
may be given against them on the Verdict afo^d on the behalfe of the said Tho^r Lambden so as afo^d tendered for
the Reasons following. That the J^rors have not found by their Verdict to what Value afo^d were
at the time of the impreetrating the Original Writ in this case in the def^r hands — Whereupon
on all and Singular the premises being seen and by the Court now here fully understood and mature
Deliberation thereupon had it seemeth to the same Court ^{here} that the J^rors afo^d to stay Indig^r on the Verdict