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Somerset p. At the His Majesty's the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> Charles absolute Lord and Proprietary  
of the provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore & Speciall Court of Oyer  
and Terminer and good delivery holden at Dividing Creek in the County of in the Court house for  
the same County the twenty fifth Day of December anno Domini One thousand Seven hundred  
and thirty six of whom were present . . . . .

The Honourable }  
The Hon<sup>ble</sup> John Gale Esq<sup>r</sup> }  
- Col<sup>l</sup> Robert King . . . } Justices  
- Mr. William Shughton . . . }  
- Col<sup>l</sup> George Dashiell . . . }  
Joseph M<sup>r</sup>cker s<sup>er</sup>o. } Thomas Hayward s<sup>er</sup>o.

The the above Court held by Verdue of the following Commission's Viet —  
The Commission of Oyer and Terminer followeth in those words Viet —  
Maryland p. Charles absolute Lord and Proprietary of the provinces of Maryland &  
Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. To John Gale Esq<sup>r</sup> Robert King William Shughton  
and George Dashiell Gent. Greeting Know Ye that we have assigned you or any three of  
you our Justices to Enquire by the Oath of good and Lawfull men of our County of Somerset  
and by other ways and means by which you may or can better know as well within as without  
the Liberties thereof by whom the truth of the matter may be better known of all manner  
of Treasons Misprison of Treasons Insurrections rebellious Murders Felonies Homicides  
Manstauers, Burglaries, rapes of Women assemblies and unlawful Conventicles divulgers of false  
news, aiding misprison Confessors false allegations trespasses Riots Disturbances Escapes  
Contempts Frauds Neglects Concealments maintenance Oppressions Usurys Deceits and other misdoings  
and Offences whatsoever and also of the accomplices thereof within the County aforesaid and Every of them  
as well within as without of any the Liberties of the said County by whomsoever or howsoever  
had made done and Committed and other Articles and Circumstances of the premises or any ways —  
Concerning any or all thereof and the same Treasons and other the premises for this time to hear  
and determine according to the Law Customs and Directions of the act of Assembly of this province  
so far forth as they provide and where they are silent according to the Law Statutes and  
reasonable Customs of England as used and practised within this province and therefore  
we Command you or any three of you that at certain Days and places which you or any  
three of you shall appoint you shall take care and diligently cause Enquiry to be made upon  
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