

His Lordship } Somerset County J. The Jurors for the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary
Eli^o Harman } that now is for the Body of Somerset County and upon their Oath do
present that Elizabeth Harman late of all Hallows Parish in
the County and Spinster the first Day of December in the year of our
Lord God seventeen hundred thirty and three at the parish and in the
County and within the Jurisdiction of this Court did commit Fornication
with a certain person to the Jurors and unknown and did permit the same
unknown person then and there to have carnal Knowledge of her Body
and to beget then and there a bastard child on the Body of her the same
Elizabeth Harman 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 lately made and provided the

Justs. On the Bankside of the foregoing Bill of Indictment it was thus Endorved Bill a vera

Samuel Wilson foreman. Thereupon Command was given to the Sheriff of
Somerset County that he should take the said Elizabeth Harman if he to answer the and afterwards to
to with the nineteenth day of August and Dow. One thousand Seven hundred and thirty five before the
Justices of his Lordships County Court of Somerset now here hold at dividing Creek in the same County
came the said Eli^o Harman in her proper person and had a hearing of the Indictment and being
Instantly demanded how she would acquit her self of the premises and as by the Indictment and
above upon her is Imposed says that she is guilty thereof

Whereupon all and Singular the premises by the Court here seen heard and fully understood it
seems to the Court here that the said Eli^o Harman is a black woman and does not come within the
Intent of the act of assembly to punish such persons being guilty of fornication

Thereupon it is considered that by the Justices here that the said Eli^o Harman be there of
quiet and go without day the. Likewise it is considered that the said Eli^o Harman give security for
to pay all the Officers fees due by occasion of the premises and upon the Indictment and thereupon
William Lane of Somerset County Court. present here in Court undertook for the said Eli^o Harman
to pay the severall Officers fees due as before upon the Indictment and

His Lordship } Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take William
Wille^o Minter } Minter if he to answer the and afterwards to with the nineteenth day of August and
Dow. One thousand Seven hundred and thirty five before the Justices of his Lord.
ships County Court of Somerset now here hold at dividing Creek in the same County Came the said
William