

November Court ~ 1735 ~ (96)

to give Security for the payment of the severall Officers fees due by an Occasion of the premises afo<sup>r</sup> upon the Indictment aff<sup>d</sup> thereupon before John Handys of Somerset County Gent<sup>r</sup> present herein Court in his proper person acknowledged himself indebted unto his Lordship the Lord Proprietary in the sum of five pounds Sterling of his body of goods or Chattells lands or tenements to be made and levied to the use of the Officers of Somerset County Court that hath any right to any fees upon the Indictment aff<sup>d</sup> If it happen that the said John Handys do not pay and satisfy unto the severall Officers their fees due by Occasion of the premises afo<sup>r</sup> upon the Indictment aff<sup>d</sup>

Likewise the said Stephen Lark is ordered to give good Security to save and keep indemnified the Justices of Somerset County Court and their Successors from the time being from all Costs charges troubles and burthen that might accrue by reason of the birth of afo<sup>r</sup> bastard Child afo<sup>r</sup> lately begotten in the body of the afo<sup>r</sup> Frances Johnson wife of the said Stephen Lark late of the County of Somerset Planter pres<sup>t</sup> ent herein Court in his proper person undertook for the said Stephen Lark and acknowledged himself indebted unto his Lordship the Lord Proprietary in the sum of thirti<sup>r</sup> pounds Sterling of his goods and Chattells lands and tenements severally to be made and levied to the use of Somerset County if it happen that the aforesaid Stephen Lark his heirs Executors and Administrators or any of them do and shall not from time to time and at all times forever hereafter acquit discharge and save harmless as well the Justices of Somerset County Court and their Successors (for the time being) as also the Inhabitants of the said County from all Costs charges and troubles whatsoever for or by reason of the birth maintenance nourishing and bringing up of the said Child and of and from all other suits charges troubles and demands whatsoever touching or concerning of the same

The same in Somerset County aff<sup>d</sup> The Juries for the right hon<sup>r</sup> Stephen Langcake the Lord Prop<sup>r</sup> that now is for the body of Somerset County aff<sup>d</sup> upon their Oath do present that Stephen Langcake late of Stephen's parish in the County afo<sup>r</sup> Planter the first day of March in the year of our Lord God Seventeen hundred thirty and four at the parish afo<sup>r</sup> in the County afo<sup>r</sup> within the Jurisdiction of this Court did commit fornication with a certain Elizabeth Johnson and of her body then and there had carnal knowledge and a bastard child on the body of her the said Elizabeth then and there did begt 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 Prop<sup>r</sup> that now is his good rule and Government and against the form of the act of assembly in such case lately made and provided aff<sup>d</sup> On the backside of the foregoing Bill of Indictment it was thus endorsed vizt<sup>r</sup> a True Bill aff<sup>d</sup> J. Caldwell foreman Test<sup>r</sup> Eliz<sup>r</sup> Johnson

Thereupon Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take the said Stephen Langcake if & to answer aff<sup>d</sup> And afterwards to with the eighteenth day of November Curr<sup>r</sup> Dom<sup>r</sup> One thousand

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