

ff^t John Lay } Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take
Thomas Collins & Nehemiah Holland } Thomas Collins and Nehemiah Holland both of Somerset County planters if they
Holland } should be found in his bailly with and them should safe keep so that he might

have their bodies before the Justices of his Lordships County Court of Somerset to be held at Dev-
iding Creek in the same County the third Tuesday of June Anno Domini one thousand seven-
hundred and thirty seven to answer unto John Lay of a plea of trespass upon the Case
All which day here before his Lordships Justices at a Court then held at Deviding
Creek in the same County came the as^t John Lay by Francis Allen his attorney
and the as^t sherriffe to wit John Henry Gent now here returned that he had
taken the as^t Thomas Collins and Nehemiah Holland whose body here at this day
he had ready to answer the as^t John Lay of the as^t plea as to him it was Com-
manded. — and whereupon the as^t Thomas Collins and Nehemiah Holland puts in their plea Geo:

Douglas Gents against the as^t John Lay in the plea of — Whereupon at the request of the parties as^t
day is to them here given to be before his Lordships Justices at the next Court to be held at Deviding Creek
in said for the County of the third Tuesday of August the next following in the same State ^{as at present} saving to the parties
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All which day here came again as well the as^t John Lay as the as^t Thomas Collins and Nehe-
miah Holland by their attorney as^t and whereupon the said John Lay declared against the as^t
Thomas Collins and Nehemiah Holland in the plea of inform following — Somerset County s^t Thomas
Collins and Nehemiah Holland late of Somerset County planters were attached to answer
unto John Lay of a plea of trespass upon the Case &c.

And Whereupon the said John by Francis Allen his attorney complains that
whereas on the fourteenth day of November Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred
and thirty six at the County of Somerset as^t within the Jurisdiction of this Court
a certain Communication be lighted and moved between the said Thomas Collins
and Nehemiah Holland and the as^t John Lay concerning two suits by the said
John Lay committed against the said Thomas and then depending in Somer-
set County Court on the behalf of the said John against the said Thomas for two
severall assaults and batterys committed by the said Thomas upon him the
said John before that time the said Thomas and Nehemiah in consideration
that he the said John at the speciall Instance and request of the said Thomas
and Nehemiah would not further prosecute the said suits against him the said
Thomas the day and year as^t at the County as^t upon themselves did a fame and to
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