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The Lord Proprietary's Justice at Swiding Creek in the County aforesaid came the aforesaid Balamforth Salt according to a certain Recognizance by him and his Security in that part first made in his proper person and had appearing of the Indictment aforesaid and saith that he cannot deny but that he is guilty of the premises aforesaid in the Indictment specified in manner and form as by the Indictment aforesaid above against him supposed and the premises aforesaid Expressly acknowledgeth and puts himself thereof in mercy of his Lordship

Whereupon all and singular the premises being seen and by the Court here fully understood It is considered that the aforesaid Balamforth shall pay unto his Lordship the right Honourable the Lord Proprietary for his fine by the Court hereupon him imposed for and by occasion of the premises aforesaid whereof in form aforesaid he is convicted thirty shillings current money of Maryland (to the use of the County aforesaid) and that the said Balamforth shall be taken care to satisfy his said Lordship of the fine aforesaid &c

Whereupon the said Balamforth shall is ordered to give Security to save and keep Indemnified the Justices of Somerset County and their Successors from all Costs Charges and Burthen that might arise by means of the birth of this Child aforesaid. Thereupon the said Balamforth shall with George Smith his Security of Somerset County planter both present herein Court in their proper persons acknowledged themselves Indebted unto his Lordship the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary of the provinces of Maryland in the full and just sum of thirty pounds sterling good and lawfull money of England of their body goods or Chattells Lands or Tenements Joyntly and severally to be made and Levied to the use of the Justices of the County aforesaid and their Successors, if it happen that the said Balamforth shall his heirs Executors or administrators or any of them do and shall not from time to time and at all times hereafter acquit discharge and save harmless as well the Justices of Somerset County aforesaid and their Successors for the time being as also the Inhabitants of the said County of and from all Costs Charges troubles and Incumbrances 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 &c

Likewise the said Balamforth shall is ordered to give Security for the payment of the severall Officers their fee or fees due by means of this Indictment aforesaid. Thereupon the same Balamforth shall with John Person of Somerset County planter his Security both present herein Court acknowledged themselves Indebted unto his Lordship the Lord Proprietary in the sum of eight hundred pounds of to be Levied on their body goods or Chattells Land or Tenements for the use of the severall Officers that hath slight to any fee or fee on the Indictment aforesaid. If it happen that the said Balamforth do not pay and satisfy unto the severall Officers the Just fee or fees due on the Indictment aforesaid