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to be held at Dwiding Creek in the same County the third Tuesday of June Anno Domini One
thousand seven hundred and thirty seven to answer unto John Alkinson of a plea that he tender
unto him two thousand one hundred and seventy pounds of good pork and two hundred &
eighty pounds of good tobaco which from him he unjustly detains &c and that the said should
not fail &c. And the said John Alkinson by Francis Allen his attorney declared his charge

against the said John Bishop in the plea of a writ - Somerset County St. John
Bishop Junr. late of Somerset County planter ad dict. John Bishop Junr. of
Somerset County in the province of Maryland planter was summoned to answer unto
John Alkinson of a plea that he tender unto him two thousand one hundred and seventy
pounds of good pork and two hundred and eighty pounds of good tobaco which from him
he unjustly detains &c. And whereupon the said John Alkinson by Francis
Allen his attorney saith that whereas the said John Bishop the nineteenth day of March
Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and thirty four five at the County of Somerset aforesaid
within ^{the} jurisdiction of this Court by his certain writing obligatory which the said John Alkinson
with the seal of the said John Bishop signed here into Court brings the date whereof is the same
day and year did acknowledge himself to be bound unto the said John Alkinson in the aforesaid
two thousand one hundred and seventy pounds of good pork and two hundred and eighty
pounds of good tobaco to be paid to the said John Alkinson when he should be thereunto
required yett the said John Bishop the said two thousand one hundred
and seventy pounds of good pork and two hundred and eighty pounds of good tobaco to the
said John Alkinson hath not rendered but the same to him hitherto to render hath denied and
still doth deny and unjustly detain to the damage of the said John Alkinson twenty pounds
Court money of Maryland and thereupon he brings suit &c.

Pledges. In: Doe. &c.

A copy of the foregoing declaration was made and sent to be served on the said John Bishop with the
writ of aforesaid according to act of assembly in such case provided &c. All which day here before the
Justices of his Lordships County Court of Somerset at Dwiding Creek came the said John Alkinson by
his attorney aforesaid and the sheriff of the same County to wit Joseph M. Porter Gent. at the same day here
returned that he had taken the said John Bishop of whose body here at this time he had ready to answer
the said John Alkinson of the aforesaid plea as to him it was commanded - and whereupon a certain
John Selby and Dennis Hudson of Somerset County plant. present before the Court before the aforesaid
Justices