

June Court ..... 1737 --- 78  
G D Alexand Bunckle  
H A H Francis Porter

Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take Francis Porter late of Somerset County planter if he should be found in his bailiwick and him should safekeep so that he might have his body before the Justices of his Lordships County Court of Somerset to be hold at Dwidning Creek in the same County the third Tuesday of November and Term One thousand Seven hundred and thirty six to answer unto Alexander Bunckle of a plea of trespass upon the Case &c and that throo of he should not fail

At which day here before the Justices of his Lordships County Court of Somerset at Dwidning Creek came the said Alexander Bunckle by Geo: Douglas his attorney and the sherriff of the same County with Joseph M<sup>r</sup> Cester Gent at the same day here were returned that he had taken the a<sup>f</sup> Francis Porter whose body here at this day he had ready to answer unto the a<sup>f</sup> Alexander Bunckle of the a<sup>f</sup> plea as to him it was commanded &c

Whereupon a certain Littleton Townsend of Somerset County planter came here into Court before the aforesaid Justices and undertook for the said Francis Porter and assumed upon himself like wise the same Francis Porter present herein Court in his proper person assumed upon himself that if it should be rendered for the same Alexander Bunckle against him the said Francis Porter or that he the said Francis should be therein convicted that then he the said Francis shall pay and satisfy unto the said Alexander <sup>Bunckle</sup> the Judgment of the Court thereupon or render his body in Execution of such Judgment to the prison of the sherriff of the County a<sup>f</sup> thereto remain until the same Judgment be fully satisfied or that the said Littleton Townsend will do the same for him.

And hereupon the same Alexander Bunckle declared against the said Francis Porter in the plea aforesaid in form following --- Somerset County s<sup>r</sup> Francis Porter late of Somerset County planter was attached to answer unto Alexander Bunckle of a plea of trespass upon the Case &c

And whereupon the said Alexander Bunckle by Geo: Douglas his attorney complains that whereas the said Alexander and the said Francis on the nineteenth day of Aug<sup>r</sup> and Term One thousand seven hundred thirty and six at the County a<sup>f</sup> within the Jurisdiction of this Court did account together forundry sums of tobacco by the said Francis to the said Alexander before that time due and unpaid and upon that account the said Francis was found in arrears and indebted to the said Alexander the quantity of three thousand two hundred forty and five pounds of tobacco and being so thereof in arrears and indebted found the said Francis afterwards to to wit the day day and