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Child on the body of her the same Sir<sup>d</sup> then and there did beget 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 proprietary that now is his good Rule and Government and against the form of Act of assembly in such case lately made and provided &c. Whereupon the said attorney of the said Lord proprietary for the same Lord proprietary pray<sup>d</sup> the advice of the Court herein the premises that due process of Law in this part may be made against the said John to answer unto the said Lord proprietary of and upon the premises &c.

Thereupon Command was given to the sheriff of Somerset County that he should take the said John Leatherbury if<sup>t</sup> to answer &c. Afterward to witt the fifteenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and thirty six before the Justices of his Lordships County Court of Somerset now here held in the Court house at Widning Beck in and for the same Court here the same John Leatherbury in his proper person and had a hearing of the Information aforesaid and being thereupon Instantly demanded how he would acquit himself of the premises aforesaid as by the Information aforesaid above upon him imposed with that the premises aforesaid upon him imposed he is guilty thereof.

Whereupon all and singular the premises by the Court here seen heard and fully understood It is considered that the said John Leatherbury pay unto his Lordship the Lord Proprietary for the use of Somerset County for his fine by the Court here upon him imposed for and by Conviction of the premises aforesaid whereas in form aforesaid he is convicted thirty Shillings Court money of May and that the said John Leatherbury be taken to satisfy his said Lordship of the fine aforesaid. God hab to pay fees &c.

His Lordship } Somerset County pt. The Jurors for the Right honourable the Lord Proprietary that Jane Tucker. now is for the body of Somerset County aforesaid upon their oath do present that Jane Tucker late of all hallows parish in the County aforesaid Spinster the tenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred thirty and six at the parish aforesaid in the County aforesaid within the Jurisdiction of this Court did commit fornication with a certain person to the Jurors aforesaid unknown and did permit the same unknown person then and there to have carnal knowledge of her body and to beget then and there a bastard Child on the body of her the same Jane 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 proprietary that now is his good Rule and Government and against the form of the Act of assembly in such case lately made and provided &c. Test W<sup>th</sup> theally Dennis . . . on the foregoing bill of Indictment it was endorsed vizt. *Willa Vera Alex* Lackie foreman . . .

Thereupon Command was given to the sheriff of Somerset County that he should take the said Jane Tucker if<sup>t</sup> to answer &c. Afterward to witt the fifteenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and thirty six before the Justices of his Lordships County Court of Somerset now here held in the Court house at Widning Beck in and for the same Court here the same Jane Tucker