

March Court 1741

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Thereupon James Anderson garnishe as aforesaid appears and Imparts the said Summons and Writ next following

At John Atkinson

for Mathias Nicholson

Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he Should Take
Mathias Nichols Late of Somerset County planter at. dicit. Mathias Nicholson
wheelwright of Somerset in the province of Maryland if he Should be found in his
Baily with and him should safe keep so that he might have his body before the Justice of his Lordships
County Court of Somerset to be held at Dividing Creek the third Tuesday of March anno Domini One thousand
Seven hundred and forty One to answer unto John Atkinson of aplea that he Render unto him One
Thousand and Ninety two pounds of good pork neatly Cleanned at Snow Hill which from him he unjustly
detaines &c and the same day is given to the aforesaid John Atkinson —

And here upon the said John declared against the aforesaid Mathias in the aforesaid in form
following but the aforesaid Mathias Nicholson Late of Somerset County planter at. dicit. Mathias
Nicholson wheelwright of Somerset in the province of Maryland was Summoned to answer unto John
Atkinson of aplea that he Render unto him One Thousand and Ninety two pounds of good pork neatly
Cleanned at snow hill which from him he unjustly detaines &c

And Whereupon the said John by Francis Allen his Attorney saith that whereas the said Mathias
the sixth day of May anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and forty one at the County of Somerset aforesaid
within the said Court by his certain writing obligatory with which the said John with the seal of the said
Mathias signed hereinto Court brings the date whereof is the same day and year did acknowledge himself to be bound
unto the said John in the aforesaid one thousand and ninety two pounds of good pork neatly Cleanned to be paid unto the said
John when he should be thereunto required yet the said Mathias tho: often required the said one thousand and ninety
two pounds of pork neatly Cleanned to the said John hath not rendered but the same to him further to render hath denied
and still doth deny and unjustly detain Whereupon he saith he is worse and hath damage to the value of ten pounds
lxxvij p^t money of Maryland and thereof he brings suit &c

Mold. Geo. I. Doe 8t. R. Ros

Copy of the foregoing declaration was made and sent to be served on the defendant in order for a speedy trial
At which day here came the aforesaid John Atkinson by his attorney aforesaid the sheriff to wit John Randy gent
now here returned that he had taken the aforesaid Mathias Nicholson whose body here at this day he had ready to answer the
aforesaid John Atkinson of the aforesaid plea as to him it was commanded and further the said sheriff returned that he had served
the aforesaid Mathias Nicholson with a copy of the foregoing declaration according to Act of Assembly in such case provided
And the aforesaid Mathias Nicholson in his proper person Cometh into defendant the force and Injury wherein
and with that he cannot deny the action aforesaid of the aforesaid John Atkinson nor but that the writing obligatory aforesaid with
the sum of the same Mathias Nicholson nor but that he gives John Atkinson the aforesaid one thousand and ninety two
pounds