

Information of to any person or persons whatsoever. Thereupon George Mearns of Somerset County planter present herein Court undertook for the said Patience Bowles to pay all fees or fees due to any person or persons whatsoever on the Information of in case the said Patience Bowles doth not pay the same &c



His Lordship Somerset. Be it Remembered that Robert Jenkin. Henry Gent. Attorney Edmond Knowles Junr. of the right Honourable the Lord Proprietary that now is who for the same Lord Property in this part prosecuteth doth come hereinto the County Court of the same Lord Property held for Somerset County of to witt at dividing Creek in the same County the fifteenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty two before Robert King Esq. and his Associates the said Lord Property his Justices of the same County Court and for the same Lord Proprietary doth give the Court hereto understood and be Informed that Edmond Knowles Junr. late of Steprey parish in the said County of Somerset planter the tenth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty one at the parish of in the County of within the Jurisdiction of this Court did Commit fornication with a certain Patience Bowles and of her body then and there had carnall knowledge and abastard Child on the body of her the same Patience 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 same 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 Whereupon the same Attorney of the said Lord Property for the same Lord Property prays advice of the Court herein the premises and that due process of Law in this part against the same Edmond Knowles Junr. may be made to answer unto the same Lord Property of and upon the premises &c

Thereupon it is Comanded the sheriffe of Somerset County that he should take the said Edmond Knowles Junr. if he canner &c And now to witt at that same Court held for the County of at dividing Creek this fifteenth day of June Anno Domini thousand seven hundred and forty two before the aforesaid Justices came the aforesaid Edmond Knowles Junr. in his proper person according to a certain recognizance by him and his security in this part first Acknowledged and had a hearing of the Information of and saith that he cannot deny but that he is guilty of the premises of in the Information of specified above upon him imposed in manner and form as by the Information of above against him supposed and the premises of Expressly Acknowledged &c

Whereupon all and singular the premises being seen and by the Court here fully understood. It is Considered by the Court here that the aforesaid Edmond Knowles Junr. pay unto his Lordship the