

November Court 1740

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vsd: Joshua Caldwell

Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take Alexander McCants
of Alexander McCants late of Somerset County Schoolmaster if he should be found in his County and him should safe keep so
that he might have his body before the Justices of his Lordship, County Court of Somerset to be held at
Dividing Brook the third Tuesday of November anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and forty to answer unto Joshua Caldwell
of a plea of trespass upon the said ~~late~~ and the same day is given to the aforesaid Joshua hereafter —

And whereas the aforesaid Joshua declared against the aforesaid Alexander in the place aforesaid in form following
Somerset County vsd: Alexander McCants late of Somerset County Schoolmaster was called to answer unto Joshua Caldwell
of a plea of trespass upon the said ~~late~~ And whereupon the said Joshua by Francis Allen his attorney complained

that whereas the said Alexander the first day of November anno Domini seventeen hundred and thirty four at the County of Somerset —

aforesaid within the Jurisdiction of this Court was indebted unto the said Joshua in twelve hundred and sixty pounds of tobacco for Lundrum —

properly chargeable in Act^t as by act^t hereunto annexed may appear and being so thereof indebted the said Alexander in consideration

thereof the said year aforesaid at the County of — upon himself did assume and to the said Joshua then and there did faithfully promise

that he the said Alexander the said twelve hundred and sixty pounds of tobacco to the said Joshua when he should be thereunto —

requested he would well and faithfully pay and content. Neverthels^t the said Alexander his promise and assumption aforesaid in form aforesaid

made nothing regarding but plotting and fraudulently intending the said Joshua in that pte ~~fra~~stil^t and subtilly to deceive and —

defraud the said twelve hundred and sixty pounds of tobacco to the said Joshua hath not paid or contented altho^t the same to do —

the said Alexander by the said Joshua on the aforesaid day of November in the year aforesaid and often afterwards at Somerset County aforesaid

he was thereunto requested but the same to him hitherto to pay hath refused and still doth refuse and Deny Wherupon the said —

Joshua saith he is worse and hath damage to the value of twenty five hundred pounds of tobacco and thereupon he brings suit —

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Pledg^t vsd: John Doe R: Roe

To Tobacco paid to Solomon Hilt^t you being Excluded in 660

To 30 day, Every day & 20 ff day is 600

Errors Excepted ff for Caldwell Quandam his

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A copy of the foregoing declaration and account were made and sent to be served on the defendant according to act of Assembly in such case made and provided —

All which day here came the aforesaid Joshua Caldwell by his attorney aforesaid and the Sheriff to
wit John Hardy Gent now here returned that he had taken the aforesaid Alexander McCants whose body here at this day he had here
ready to answer unto the aforesaid Joshua Caldwell of the aforesaid place as to him it was commanded. And further
the aforesaid Sheriff returned that he had served the aforesaid Alexander McCants with a copy of the above declaration and account
in order for a speedy Tryall.

And and the aforesaid Alexander McCants in his proper person Cometh and defendeth the same and injury —

when^t and saith that he cannot deny the action aforesaid of the aforesaid Joshua Caldwell nor but that he did assume upon himself in manner and form
as the aforesaid Joshua above against him hath complained and as to the damage of the same Joshua by him by occasion of the premises in that
part sustained the same Alexander McCants saith and doth acknowledge that the aforesaid Joshua hath sustained damages by occasion of the
premises —