

William Venables
Orphan Bond . . .

Somerset County Jp.
In Maryland . . .

KNOW all men by these presents that we Katherine Venables W^m Venables & George Hardy all of Somerset County in the province a^s are holden and firmly bound unto Martha Venables Joseph Venables Perkins Venables and Dorothy Venables in the full and just sum of fifty Eight pounds and six shillings half penny to be paid unto the said Martha, Joseph, Perkins, and Dorothy Venables their heirs Ex^{or} Adm^r or assigns to the which payment well and truly to be made and done we bind our selves our and either of our heirs Ex^{or} and Adm^r for the whole and In the whole Jointly and Severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this 18th Day of March Anno Domⁱ 1740

The Condition of the above Obligation is such that whereas the Commissary Gent^l hath transmitted unto this Court the account of the estate of William Venables dece^d wherein it is found that there is ballance due to the above said Orphans the sum of twenty nine pounds and three shillings one farthing therefore if the above said Katherine Venables William Venables and George Hardy they or any of their heirs Ex^{or} Adm^r shall and do well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the above said Orphans the a^s sum of twenty nine pounds and three shillings one farthing in Equall parts and portions according to Act of assembly when they shall arrive at full age to receive the same & then the above obligation to be void and of none Effect otherwise to Remain in full force and vertue in Law

Signed Sealed & . . .
delivered in presence of
Robt. Jones
Joshua Merrill

Katherine Venables ^{her} Seal
W^m Venables ^{mar} Seal
George Hardy . . Seal

Hugh Pinimer appears herein Court according to his Recognizance to give Evidence on behalfe of his Lordship against Ann Clark and Patrick Connelly and is discharged therefrom

Robert Givan appears here in Court according to his Recognizance Entered into for his appearance at this Court to give Evidence on behalfe of his Lordship against Patrick Connelly and is discharged therefrom

Ann Richardson appears herein Court according to her Recognizance entered into for her appearance at this Court to give Evidence on behalfe of his Lordship against Patrick Connelly and is discharged therefrom

His Lordship Somerset County Jp. Be it remembered that Robert Jenckins Henry Gent. Attorney of the right Honourable the Lord proprietary that now is who for the same Lord proprietary in this part prosecuteth doth come here into the County Court (to witt) at dividing Creek in the same County the seventeenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty to before John Scott Esq. and his Associates the said Lord proprietary his Justices of the same County Court and for the same Lord proprietary doth give the Justices here to understand and be Informed that Sarah Low late of Stepeny parish in the County of Somerset the twentieth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty at the parish a^s in the County a^s and within the Jurisdiction of this Court did Comit fornication with a certain person unknown and did permit the same unknown person then and there to have Carnall Knowledge of her body and then and there to beget a bastard Child on the body of her the same Sarah to the high displeasure of Almighty God to the Evill Example of all others in such Case