

March Court.

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The same - Somerset St. Be it Remembered that Robert Jenckins Henry Gent Attorney of the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary  
Sarah Chaffie that now is who for the same Lord Proprietary in this part prosecuteth doth come here into the County Court (Court of Dividing  
 Creek in the same County the seventeenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty 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 Chaffie late of Allhallows parish in the County as<sup>t</sup> the twenty eighth day  
 of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty at the parish a<sup>r</sup> in the County as<sup>t</sup> and within the Jurisdiction of  
 this Court did Comit fornication with a certain Wheatly Dennis and did permit the same Wheatly 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 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 Whereupon the same Attorney of the said Lord  
 Proprietary gave notice of the Court here in the premises and that due process of Law in this part against the a<sup>r</sup> Sarah Chaffie  
 may be made to answer the said Lord Proprietary of and upon the premises &c

Thereupon command is to the Sheriff of the County as<sup>t</sup> that he should take the said Sarah Chaffie into his custody to answer &c And now followeth  
 at that same Court held for the County as<sup>t</sup> of Dividing Creek the a<sup>r</sup> Seventeenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand seven  
 hundred and forty before the a<sup>r</sup> Justices came the a<sup>r</sup> Sarah Chaffie by William Arbuturle her Attorney according to a certain  
 Recognition by her and her security in this part first acknowledged and had a hearing of the Information a<sup>r</sup> saith that she  
 cannot deny but that she is guilty of the premises a<sup>r</sup> in the Information a<sup>r</sup> specified above upon her Imposed in manner and  
 form a<sup>r</sup> by the Information a<sup>r</sup> above upon her supposed and verily knoweth that a certain Wheatly Dennis is the father of  
 the child she standes informed against - Whereupon all and singular the premises being seen and by the Court here fully  
 understood it is considered by the Court here that the a<sup>r</sup> Sarah Chaffie pay unto his Lordship the Lord Proprietary for her  
 by the Court here upon her a<sup>r</sup> Imposed  
 fine of £100 and by Occasion of the premises by the Court here upon her a<sup>r</sup> Imposed whereof in sum aforesaid she is bound  
 yearly shillings Current money of Maryland and that the said Sarah Chaffie be taken to satisfie his said  
 Lordship of the fine a<sup>r</sup> Whereupon the said Sarah Chaffie is ordered to give security for the payment of  
 all fee or fees due to any person or persons on the Information aforesaid Thereupon a certain Francis  
 Allen Esq: present here in Court in his proper person undertook for the said Sarah Chaffie and assumed upon him  
 self to pay all fee or fees due on the Information a<sup>r</sup> to any person or persons whatsoever in case the said  
 Sarah Chaffie doth not pay the same &c

The same . . .

Somerset St.

Wheatly Dennis . . .

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