

November County Anno Domini 1744

These Nathaniel Gray Debtor vs. Day of Execution.

William Douglass Judgment of Nonsum

Charles County vs. William Douglass late of Charles County Planter at Newica called William Douglass was summoned to answer unto Nathaniel Gray of plea that he owes unto him the sum of Eleven Thousand five Hundred and Twenty six pounds of Tobacco to be hung in Justice Court

Government to Potomack or Neocomica River in Charles County Maryland which to him he owes and unjustly detains and of the And Whereas the said Nathaniel by his attorney hath presented unto the said William Douglass by his Writing obligatory and the Thirtieth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty six at Charles County aforesaid bond then call to the said Nathaniel in the said sum of Eleven Thousand five Hundred and Twenty six pounds of Tobacco to be hung in Justice Court Government to Potomack or Neocomica River in Charles County 916 by land to be paid to the said Nathaniel when due after the said William Douglass hath presented requested Next the said William, altho often required hath not paid to the said Nathaniel the said sum of Eleven Thousand five Hundred and Twenty six pounds of Tobacco aforesaid nor any part thereof but hath altogether hath and still doth Refuse to pay the same to the damage of the said Nathaniel Twenty Thousand pounds of Tobacco qualified aforesaid and therefore he brings suit & brings him into Court the said Writing obligatory which gives sufficient proof of the Debt. the date whereof is the day and year above mentioned

John De Witt

Whereupon into Court here in his proper person Comes William Middleton of Charles County Merchant and some pledge and surety for the said William Douglass that if it should happen the said William Douglass in the plea aforesaid should be bound that then the said William Middleton should stand for and defend that as well the Debt aforesaid as all costs which to the said Nathaniel in this part should be judged of his Lands & Chattels should be made and levied to and for the use of the said Nathaniel that if it should happen that the said William Douglass the Debt & costs aforesaid to the said Nathaniel should not pay or his body into the custody of the Sheriff by reason thereof neither And the said William Douglass by Henry Darnall his attorney comes and pleads the force & injury when the said aforesaid save thereof to be made hereto until the next Court to be holden at Charles Town on the second Tuesday in August next and he hath it and the same day is given to the same Nathaniel here vs

At which day to wit the second Tuesday in August aforesaid comes here as well the said Nathaniel as the said William by their attorneys aforesaid and the said William by his said attorney prays further leave to propose hereto until the next Court to be holden at Charles Town on the second Tuesday in November Next and he hath it, and the same day is given to the same William here vs

And now here at this day to wit the second Tuesday in November aforesaid comes as well the said William as the said Nathaniel by their attorneys aforesaid and the said Nathaniel by his attorney aforesaid prays that the said William to his Detention aforesaid against him on any manner and the said William by his attorney aforesaid comes and

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