

An Act for the better Supporting the Magistrates in the Administration of Justice within this Province, and for the Disabling *Thomas Macnemara*, Esq; to practice the Law therein.

Preamble as to
Mr. *Macnemara*..

WHEREAS *Thomas Macnemara*, Esq; a Practitioner of the Law and Attorney in several of the Courts within this Province, has been sundry times suspended here, and in the Province of *Pennsylvania* for his Mis-deeds, and re-admitted to his Practice on his fair Promises of Amendments. And whereas by the Act of Assembly of this Province, Entituled, *An Act for the rectifying the Ill Practices of Attornies of this Province and ascertaining Fees to the Attorney General, Clerk of Indictments Attornies and Practitioners of the Law in the Courts of this Province, and for levying the same by way of Execution*, the several Courts have Power given them to Admit and suspend such Practitioners, *Salvo Jure Corona*. And whereas the said *Thomas Macnemara* on a late Suspension from his Practice Obtained her late Majesty's Order to be restored to it again, which the said *Macnemara* has often suggested to be an Exemption of him from the Powers given the several Courts by that Law, whereby the Authority of those Courts are not only become dubious in that part, but the said *Macnemara* has, seemnigly, depended on the said Order as his Justification to treat them in an Indecent Manner, when he pleads before them, and even to despise their Authority, and Affront their Persons, which they have been Caurious of punishing him for, being partly deterred by the great Interest in *England*, whereon he has frequently Valued himself, as being far superiour to theirs, and partly by the Threatening, Litigious and Revengeful Temper, as well as his Method of Practising upon many Unthinking People, to surprize them into Certificates and Affidavits in his favour, the better to gain his points of those that thwart him, by which he has at length arrived to so Intollerable a degree of Pride and Arrogance, that he has even attackt the Governour himself in his Character and Government, for Cautioning *Maurice Borchfield*, Esq; his Majestys surveyor General against Preferring the said *Macnemara* to the Collectorsship of *Patuxent*, as a Person of suspected Character and Principle (the said *Macnemara* being at first coming into this Province, an *Irish Papist*, and since declared himself to be of the *Church of England*, without any other Motives ever heard of by this General Assembly, save those of Interest for the sake of his practice, and having Opportunity thereby of serving a *Popish Faction* on all Occasions, as he has frequently done, particularly in his appearing in the Defence of some of them, when prosecuted in a special Court of *Oyer and Terminer* for drinking the *Presenter's Health*, and audaciously Cursing his sacred Majesty King *George*, and firing the City Guns on the supposed Birth Day of the *Pretender*, on which Occasion he so warmly espoused their Cause, as even to dare that Court to proceed against them.

And whereas it is Obvious to this present General Assembly, that the said *Macnemara's* Insolence has much encreased since he has the Honour to be employed to prosecute the Suits of the Crown by the Means of the said *Maurice Birchfield*, Esq; in so much as he has affronted the Governour and Chancellour of this Province Publickly, in the Execution of his Office; and altho' required by the Right Honourable the Lords

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