

At the Court house at New Yarmouth in Kent County Aug: 4th 1683
County rights in the eighth year of the Dominion of Ch: 2^d
King Charles absolute Lord and Prop: of the Province of Maryland
and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. Anno Domini 1683;

Wicks, Hofin & Miller
vs
Rugold Comptrol

Maj: Joseph Wicks, M: Henry Hofin & M: Michael Miller meeting
at the said Court house to serve the Sp: and Coubrey, according to
the said Commission, they not being qualified to serve the Court
under the number of four Commission: So that wanting C^o
to make a full Court it was ordered that the Sheriff desired
Maj: Rugold to appear and sit with the above Commission:
the said Maj: Rugold appearing and being desired to sit, he
very presumptuously refused and said he would not sit, which
Answer of Maj: Rugold was ordered to be recorded, And
that all Suits and all other Affairs concerned at y^e Court
were desired by the above said Commission: to take notice of y^e
appearing of the S: Maj: Wicks, M: Hofin, and M: Miller
to sit and serve the Sp: and Coubrey, and that it is not by or
through their means or Neglect that any person should suffer
in any thing depending in the said Court, they being very ready
and willing to serve the Sp: and Coubrey according to y^e trust
reposed by his Sp: in the S: Commission:
Taken from y^e Record Elias King Clerk of the Court

Rugold to
Wicks Hofin & Miller
Answer
First

In Answer to the pretended Order or Complaint of Maj: Wicks, M:
Hofin, and M: Miller Commission: of Kent County against Maj: James
Rugold.
That on the 16th Decemb: last M: Wicks came to New Yarmouth with M:
Evert and M: Common, and there importuned the said Rugold to join with them
to lay a new Levy, the Levy being duly laid b: for: including some other
Account due to the said Wicks and some other persons, the said Rugold asked
them how they would do for a Clerk, the said Wicks said he would make
one, then the said Rugold asked how they would do for a Sheriff, and the
S: Wicks answered that he would do none, at which time the said Rugold told
them, he would have nothing to do with any such matters, the Levy for y^e
County being duly made up the first Decemb: 1682:
That on the 28th July 1682: by order from y^e Sp: the Justice being
warned to hold a Court for Election of Delegates, the S: Wicks & Evert
took occasion in a scandalous manner to upbraid the S: Rugold and the
said Common for having given Edward Swittnam the Oath of Disp^{ty}
Shrift, the said Wicks, Hofin Evert and Miller having made an order
before that, that the said Swittnam should not be sworn or serve as
Sub

Secondly