

To the Hon<sup>ble</sup> the President & the Rest of the  
hon<sup>ble</sup> their Majesties Council of Maryland.

The Petition of John Lewellin

Humble Petition

Sheweth that  
John Lewellin Esq<sup>r</sup>  
of the County of  
Talbot

That your Petitioner having for some years officiated and  
executed the place of Sheriff of Talbot County out and  
therein contract'd & made to himselfe severall Bills to a  
certain sum or quantity of Tobaccos fairly calculated &  
charged according to Act of Assembly and delivered the particulars  
and a faire List thereof to the Sheriff of the said County  
Samuell Withers with an Execution signed by his Ex<sup>ty</sup> the late  
Governor commanding the saying & making paym<sup>t</sup> thereof to yo<sup>r</sup>  
Pet<sup>r</sup>: Notwithstanding which the said Sheriff hath & still doth  
denuy & Refuse to comply therewith or to answer such Notes as  
your Pet<sup>r</sup>: hath severall times been lawfully drawn upon him  
for the discharge of his just Debts & his necessary expences for  
himselfe & family to his great blime & Scandall and the ruine  
almost of his credit & Reputation and in all probability may be  
to the impedim<sup>t</sup> & obstruction of his designed Voyage for England  
to his irreparable loss & damage against which your Pet<sup>r</sup>: hath no  
Remedy unless relieved by your Honors favour in granting him an  
Order of yo<sup>r</sup>: hon<sup>ble</sup> board to the Attorney General to put in suite  
the said Sheriff's bond for the recovery of yo<sup>r</sup>: Pet<sup>r</sup>:s debts  
Yo<sup>r</sup>: Pet<sup>r</sup>: shall pray &c.

Which being read it was Ordered as it is written Ordered  
that the prayer of the Petition be allowed; but before the same  
be put in Execution that he first give notice hereof to the said  
Sheriff

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