

shall bring to be present at the sorting of the said papers and taking an Account of the same, which are to be left in the Custody of Esq. Randolph by him to be kept & preserved in Order to be brought before this Board the 21st of September next, then to be broke open & inspected. And it is lastly Ordered that an Oath be administered to the said Madam Blakiston that she knows of no other Papers relating to their Ma^{ties} Revenue to be in the Custody of her self or any other person or persons by her employes.

Depositions ag^t Esq. Randolph relating to Trade to be sent for England
1694
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Produced at the Board severall Depositions & papers against Esq. Randolph relating to Trade - Ordered that authentic Copies of the same be sent home to the Commissioners of the Custom house this next Shipping.

Representation about Somerset County Court is Ord about the same

Whereas it is Represented in Council that some of the principle inhabitants of Somerset County have by their particular way thought fit that the holding Courts for that County should be performed at some other place than where the same are now kept & held; Notwithstanding the situation of the place is the nigh the heart & Center of the said County, and for that reason most convenient; however the above-said persons not regarding the common good and int^{er}est of their Ma^{ties} good people the Inhabitants thereof, have by their power to free their own private Ends proceeded so far as to begin to Erect and build a Court house within six Miles of Virginia, lying at the very end of the County, which extends nigh forty Miles in length, and so by consequence much out of the way of Business.

Ordered thereupon by advice in Council as it is hereby Ordered that the person or persons managing the said Worke wholly do abstain from carrying on the aforesaid Building for any such Use - And further Ordered that the Sheriff of the County upon the summoning the inhabitants together for the Election of Burgesses do at the same time take their severall Votes under their own hands in Writing, to the End it may be soon & known from them distinctly, & severally where they do think is the most convenient place in that County to hold Courts, a due Return whereof he is to make to this Board with all convenient speed.

H. Marshall July 31st 1694.

Edward Randolph Esq. sworn Councilor

Edward Randolph Esq. appointed one of their Ma^{ties} Council for this Province appeared at the Board who had administered to him the Oath