

there have been Grants of very large Quantities of Land within the said Reserve for habitations
for the said Indians made to several Tenants of this Province since the Date of the said Reserve
It is humbly presumed that these they should settle and reside, for that it can't
be construed to be in the least within the Intent of the said Reserve to extend to
those prior and ancient Grants, since there was more than sufficient in the said
Reserve for the Use of the said Indians, even at that Time, when they were very
numerous, not then taken up nor Grants to any One.

Which said Remonstrance being read and considered of, and the Records of the Land Office relating
to the Grant of Mattawoman Neck and the Reserve made for the Indians being inspected to, It
is the Opinion of this Board that Mr. Viles Right to the said Land is prior to the Reserve made
for the Indians; the said Charles Vile is therefore left to his Remedy at Law against the said
Indian

Maryland.

To the Honourable Samuel Ogle Esq. Governor of the said Province

The humble Petition of the Subscribers being the Inhabitants of the
County of Dorchester

Most humbly sheweth unto Your Excellency

That whereas Edmund Jennings Esq. Secretary of the Province did take several Judgments
Bonds for fees of your Petitioners, and sent the said Bonds to Peter Taylor high Sheriff of the said
County in order to collect the same, whereupon the said Taylor put the said Bonds in suit & recovered
Judgments thereon before he sent his Officers to receive the same, notwithstanding your Petitioners
had the said Tobacco to pay unto the said Taylor for the Use of the said Jennings according to the form
and Effect of the said Bonds by which indirect and unjust Actings and subtil Proceedings of the
said Taylor and his under Sheriff in not receiving the said Tobacco when tendered unto them, nor
sending to see if they would pay the same, and also executing some Persons which Edmund Jennings
had no Judgments against them, and imprisoning some Persons that the said Taylor had no right
to imprison, but forasmuch as your Petitioners had no Notice at the last hearing before your
Excellency and Council living at a great Distance from John Brannoche, We therefore humbly
pray that We may be heard before your Excellency and honourable Council and be relieved from
such hardships as are imposed upon your Petitioners by them who take upon them to break thro
his Lordships Good Rules of Government; This Complaint is humbly submitted to your Excellency
and honourable Council hoping that such Measures will be taken for the Good and Welfare of
your Petitioners that this will be the last Petition of this Nature as your Petitioners do most
humbly pray

James Arton Francis Masson Edward Alfred Jacob Pattison

Ordered that Peter Taylor have a Copy of the said Petition, and that he be ordered
to attend at the Provincial Court to be held in October next

26th August 1736

Ordered by His Excellency the Governor that the General Assembly which stands
provoqued to the third Tuesday in September next, be further provoqued to the third
Tuesday in December next and Proclamations issued accordingly.