

was upwards of half a Day & cutting through the Goals with a Little Knife about ten days before the Sheriff found their last attempt of breaking the Goals but Wright did not succeed in his attempt and Green further said the Prisoners all knew of it and did not tell the Sheriff of it and I have been informed that Wright stole a good Pocket Book from one of the Prisoners and sent it home by his Mother and there was a great many Papers of great Consequence in it and he concealed them all. This Deponent was at Ignatius Gardiner and Luke Gardiner told him he had sent Wright ash to Sue the Sheriff to the Provincial Court I asked Gardiner if he was acquainted with Wright and he said he was very well I asked him about his Character and he told me he was a very Worthless Careless Lazy Fellow to his Family as well as Strangers from this Deponents first coming to Goal the Prison never Leaked more than twice and then but a few drops and it was remarkable Muddy it was in June and on the eighth day of September but we received no Damage by it there was so much Room we put our Beds out of the Leaks The Deponent further saith that he knew several of the Prisoners Mives to continue in Goal two Nights at a Time and they always said they were used very well out of Goal at Esq. Lees and when they were in Goal they always eat with the Prisoners -

Joseph Waters Son of Esq.

Charles County sh. 25<sup>th</sup> April 1770. The within Deposition was taken before me one of his Lordships Justices of the Peace of the County aforesaid -

John Winter -

A true description of the largeness of the private Goals in Charles County -  
Richard Lees Esq. 24 feet long and 16 feet wide, one hole in the Door 13 Inches long by 9 Inches wide, two holes in the Porch Door 6 Inches long by 5 wide, three Windows two of them 9 Inches Square one Window 13 Inches Square and Partition Wall to make a Room 16 feet by 11 for the Criminals with a Lock and Key to it -  
Cap. John Howards 19 feet 10 Inches long by 12 feet wide One Window 9 Inches long by 7 wide, 2 light Holes 5 Inches long by 2½ wide -  
M. Thomas Hangerfords 16 feet long by 16 wide, the hole in the Door 9 Inches by 10 -  
M. John Lindalls 24 Feet long by 16 wide, two Windows 13 Inches long by 6 wide, one Window 7 Inches Square -  
Cap. George Dents 16 feet Square, one Window 9 Inches Square, and six Auger holes -  
Col. George Dents Goal is down and Capt. George Dent says it was 14 feet long by 12 wide -  
Col. Allen Davis's 20 feet Square, one Window 6 foot Square -  
M. Charles Somerset Smith's is down, I have been told by one of his Family that it was 16 feet long by 12 wide with one small Window -  
Samuel Hanson's Esq. 16 feet long by 12 wide -  
M. John Hanson's 24 feet long by 16 wide and one Window, neither of the abovementioned Goals have got a Chimney -

Charles County 25<sup>th</sup> of April 1770 came Joseph Waters Jun. and made Oath on the holy Evangel of Almighty God that the within Description of the Goals within mentioned are true except the Goals of M. Charles Somerset Smith and Col. George Dent and the Description the two Goals within mentioned was given him by Capt. George Dent and one of M. Smith's Servants -

Joseph Waters son of Esq.

Charles County sh. The above Deposition was taken before me this 25<sup>th</sup> April 1770 -

John Winter -

Sir I received yours acquainting me that as the Deaver M. Joseph Waters is to appear before the Governor and Council as an Evidence in behalf of your Son relative to the complaints of some of his Prisoners and as he is an entire Stranger to the Governor and Council you are desirous I would write you what I know of his Behaviour and whether he does not Support the Character of an Honest Man - In Answer to which request I am very ready Sir to declare what I know of the young Man especially as I am of Opinion Justice done his Character ought to gain ample Credit to his Evidence, which I hope will be of such a nature that the complaints made against your Son will appear to be the Fictions of a pious and groundless Discontent - As to this young Man Joseph Waters he is the Son of Joseph a

Parishioner