

In Council July 2 1792.

Robert Bowie of Prince Georges County by his Petition sets forth that he has been a Justice of the Peace for said County several years past - that in the year 1788 he was appointed a Collector of the tax for the said County and being desirous of finishing his Collection as soon as possible - and understanding that there was to be a numerous meeting of the inhabitants at Piscataway on Monday the fifth day of April 1790 he made it his business to be there for the purpose of forwarding his Collection - that by the Act of Assembly passed November Session 1789 entitled "an Act for regulating the Inspection of Tobacco" the Magistrates of the respective Counties therein mentioned are directed to attend at the Court house on the first Monday in April to report and examine into the State of the several Inspection Houses in the County, under the penalty of twenty pounds current Money - that being fully persuaded that the Object of the said Law would be answered by the attendance of Childer Bowie a Justice in the same place with himself, he was induced not to attend at the Court House, for which neglect he was fined the sum of Twenty pounds - that the Law under which he was fined did not arrive in the County so as to be

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