

The Defendant or defendants shall recover against him or them double costs  
 if suit any Law Statute Lunge or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding  
 And be it further enacted by the Authority Advice and Consent of that the  
 Sheriffs of the several and respective County's and and every of them shall after  
 such Surrender and Deliver up as aforesaid give publick Notice at the churches, Court-  
 houses, and Halls within the said County's of some precise time by them the said  
 Sheriffs, and the said two Justices to be appointed for the distribution of the effects  
 of the said several Prisoners or any or either of them not less than twenty days —  
 after the time of the making of the said Surrender, and shall then and there in the  
 presence of two Justices aforesaid, and by their advice and directions make Distri-  
 bution of the Estate or Estates of the said Several Prisoners or of the Estate or  
 Estates of any or either of them so as aforesaid to be surrendered delivered up or  
 Transferred amongst such of their said Creditors only as shall then by themselves,  
 other Attorney or Attorneys think fit to be present at such distribution by an  
 equal and proportionable Distribution thereof to every such Creditor with respect  
 had and in proportion to the largeness of his or her debt the proceedings of the said  
 Justices and Sheriffs in that Behalf to be certified to the Courts of the several  
 County's aforesaid and there Lodged for the Perusal of any of the Creditors of the  
 several Debtors aforesaid that shall require the same and without any fee to be  
 paid therefore or for such Lodging thereof Saving the right of the right Honourable  
 the Lord Proprey, his Heirs and Successors, and of all Bodies Politick and a  
 Corporate and all others not mentioned in this Act Provided nevertheless that  
 in Case the said Several Prisoners or either of them shall at any time after  
 the making such his her or their Oath or Oaths as aforesaid be convicted of willfull  
 and Corrupt perjury thereupon or of a willfull Breach or non Complyance  
 with the Tenour of such Oath that then the said several Prisoners or such or  
 so many of them as shall be Convict as aforesaid shall upon such Conviction be  
 adjudged to stand two Hours in the Pillory and have his her or their left Ear  
 Cutt off and shall be wholly deprived of all and singular the benefits designed  
 them or either of them by this Law and shall be thenceforth liable to be prosec-  
 uted for any debts or demands whatsoever in the same manner as if this  
 Act had never been made anything therein contrarie to the contrary Notwith-  
 standing. Provided nevertheless that the Person of Edward Norwood one of the  
 Petitioners before mentioned shall not be discharged and set at large by the Sheriff  
 in whose Custody he is until he has fully accounted with Mr. Thomas  
 Worthington on Oath and proved in Broken form the outstanding debts that shall  
 appear by such account to be such anything in this Act Contrarie to the  
 contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Also it is hereby likewise provided and required that the Sheriff of  
 Queen Anne's County in whose Custody Jacob Ratcliffe one of the aforesaid Prisoners  
 now is shall upon Notice given him of this Act forthwith discharge and Sett  
 at large the Person of the aforesaid Jacob Ratcliffe out of his Custody in regard of his  
 present sickness and indisposition of Body and for so doing the said Sheriff  
 shall be indemnified and saved Harmless in the same manner as is provided  
 by this Act for discharging and setting at large the Persons of the other  
 (Prisoners)