

should enjoy liberty of Speech as being free born Children of England according
to Magna Charta.

Now their humble Request is that if it shall so happen that any Member
transgress in this kind & abusing such Liberty such Members shall be only
punishable in the houses of Assembly where such offence is committed &
not constrained to answer for such offence at any Court whatsoever.

By order of the house

William Bretton Clerk.

All which was Granted by the Upper House

The House is Adjourned till nine of the Clock to Morrow Morning

Thursday the 3rd of April

Present all as before

Then the Lower House returned the seditious Pamphlett sent by the Upper
House to them together with the vote of this House Endorsed on the backside

Asentell to by the Lowerhouse William Bretton Clerk.

And further informed this house that a member of that house by name
Robert Burle did acknowledge that that Paper would reflect upon him & that
therefore the Lower house did desire that that member might be suspended
from voting as a member till he had purged himself

Unanimously Voted by the Upper House that that Person viz. Robt
Burle should be suspended from sitting till he had purged himself & that this
Vote be sent to the said Burle

Then came two members of the Lowerhouse & said that the Lowerhouse
desired that Robert Burle might be forthwith tryed

ordered that a Conference be desired immediately with the Lower house

At a Conference the Upper House did satisfy the Lower House that
Robert Burle is not to be tryed by an Assembly but at a Provincial Court
regularly

The House Adjourned till nine of the Clock in the morning

Friday the 4th of April

Present All as before with Mr Lloyd

Then came Robert Burle & preferred the following Petition & acknowledged
his hearty sorrow for his fault concerning the mutinous & seditious Expressions
in the Libel contained which he penned & was published at Ann Arundel

To the Right Honourable the Lieuten^t. General & to the
Honble. Philip Calvert Esq^r Chanceller & to the Honble Council.

The Humble Petition of Robert Burle

Sheweth. That whereas your petitioner is adjudged by your Honours &
by the Burgeses to have committed a great Transgression that of an injuri-
ous nature which he hath committed inconsiderably through infirmity & weakness