

Read and referred till next Sessions of Assembly. They likewise acquaint Mr. Speaker that his Excellency desired his Attendance and the whole House upon the Conference upon Reading that Paragraph of a Book of the Land Records &c. Ordered the Sergeant attendant summons John Wood to appear before this House on Monday Morning next to answer what may be objected against him relating to that Record.

The Honble Francis Tomhins Esq; from the Council enters the House and delivers Mr. Speaker's Copy Harris Petition which was read and entered as followeth.

To his Excellency the Governor, the Honble Council, and the House of Delegates of the Province of Maryland.

The humble Petition of George Harris, Merchant Creditor to the Estate late of Charles Ridgely of Prince Georges County Gent. deceased. Most humbly complaining, sheweth to this Honble Assembly that the said Charles Ridgely in his life time was possessed of a considerable real Estate and particularly of Eleven hundred Acres of Land in Prince Georges County so that his Credit ran very high and your Petitioner taking him to be a Person both of Credit and Substance was encouraged to deal with and credit him for the Value of sixty nine Pounds five Shillings Sterling for most of which the said Charles gave your Petitioner Bills of Exchange which said Bills not meeting with due Payment have only increased the Debt and now so it is may it please your Honours that Deborah the Heir and Executrix of the said Charles Ridgely hath made up her Account of the Adminⁿ of her said Husband's Estate and balanced the same to a very small Trifle less than forty Shillings so that she alledgeth she hath not wherewith to satisfy your Petitioner unless the real Estate of her said Husband or at least so much thereof be sold to any Answer your Petitioner's just Demands. Therefore your Petitioner humbly prays Leave that a Bill may be brought in to that End, and he shall ever pray.

Indorsed thus. By his Excellency the Gov^r & Council in Assembly April 6th 1706 The within Petⁿ being read at the Board is thought very reasonable and therefore it is recommended to the House to consider thereof and relieve the Petⁿ by admitting such Bill to be brought in the said Deborah Ridgely being duly summoned to make her Objections. Further his Excellency is pleased to say that he believes this may serve for a very good Instance for what was urged this Day at the Conference Signed & Order W. Bladen Secy

Indorsed by the House of Delegates thus vizt

By the House of Delegates April 6th 1706.