

ings, Esq; his own Bond, or any other Security for the said Fees; But the said *Edmund Fenings*, Esq; pretended to be in a hurry, and said that he could not then take such Bond, but it might be done another time; whereupon the said *Joseph Hall* demanding of the said *Edmund Fenings*, Esq; whether his said Mother should not be a Sufferer for want of such Bond, he did, in answer, assure the said *Hall*, She should not.

That notwithstanding the Offers and Precautions so as aforesaid made and taken by the said *Hall*, and the Assurance to him given by the said *Edmund Fenings*, Esq; as aforesaid, the Declaration tendered by the said *Daniel Dulany*, Esq; on behalf of the said *Ann Cockshutt*, against the said *Charles Drury* and *John Campden*, was, among several Declarations and other Pleadings, refused to be received into the said Secretary's Office; and the Reason given and Indorsed on the said Declarations and other Pleadings, (in Pursuance of a demand made by *Daniel Dulany*, Esq; for the Reason thereof, and to Indorse the same as aforesaid,) by the Clerk of the said Office, was, that he the said Clerk, had received a general Order from the said *Edmund Fenings*, Esq; to receive no Declaration, or other Pleading whatever into the said Office, until Security was given by the Parties to the said Pleadings respectively, for such Fees as should arise due to the said Secretary in such Actions.

That the said *Edmund Fenings*, Esq; then and still Secretary of this Province, was employed from the beginning of the said Action, on behalf of both the said Defendants, as their Attorney.

That for want of the Receipt of such Declaration into the said Office for the Reasons aforesaid, a Non-Suit was had against the said *Ann Cockshutt*, and she was surprized and taken with an Execution for Costs thereon.

That upon the Renewal of the said Action by the said *Ann Cockshutt*, against the said *Charles Drury* and *John Campden*, he the said *Joseph Hall* was obliged to give a Judgment Bond in the Penalty of Ten Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, payable to the said *Edmund Fenings*, Esq; as Security for all such Fees as should accrue due to the said *Edmund Fenings*, in the said Action, before the Writ was suffered to Issue from the said Office.

That the said *Hall* deemed himself by the Discourse between him and the said *Edmund Fenings*, Esq; in *Calvert* County aforesaid, chargeable with, and liable to pay, unto the said *Edmund Fenings*, all such Fees as should have accrued due in the said Action.

And your said Committee humbly observe, that the said *Hall* is a Person of undoubted Credit, and that altho' he had not, by the Discourse aforesaid, deemed himself liable for the said Fees, yet the said *Ann Cockshutt* also,