

Liber W. C. according to his Oath, and Afterwards by meanes of his good Con-  
 dition and honest Conversaçon & Repute was by the Justices of the  
 said Kent County Court as also of Seav<sup>th</sup> others his Lo<sup>pps</sup> County  
 Courts Admitted and Sworne an Attorney, in w<sup>ch</sup> sd office also hee  
 hath ffaithfully and honestly behaved himself, By meanes whereof  
 the said Benjamin Divers pleas acçons and suites in the said Courts  
 for divers psons in this Province hath prosecuted and Defended and  
 still doth psecute and defend whereby and by Meanes of his ffaithfull  
 Exercise of his office of Attorney aforesaid hee hath gained & got  
 divers great gaines and pfitts for Attorneys fees of him the said  
 Benjamin for the psecuçon and defending the said acçons & Suites  
 Neverthelesse the said William Harris not ignorant of the p<sup>r</sup>misses,  
 but out of his Meer Evill mallice Endeavouring the said Benjamin  
 Randall to hurt Blemish and deprive the good Name Credit and  
 Repute of the said Benjamin and to bring him into Reproach &  
 scandall w<sup>th</sup> the good people of this province whose suites hee hath  
 and still doth psecute and defend, but especially w<sup>th</sup> his Lo<sup>pps</sup> Jus-  
 tices of the County Courts, to the Endangering the losse of his said  
 Office of being Attorney, by w<sup>ch</sup> hee hath gained his honest Lively-  
 hood, and to bring him Upon greate vexaçon and Trouble, Did  
 the Sixteenth day of May in the Yeare of our Lord 1679 openly and  
 publickly. and in the hearing of many the good people of this Prov-  
 ince, as also of Some of his Lopps Justices of Kent County Court,  
 Repeate publish and pounce These false Malitious and Scandalous  
 English words following, The said Benjamin then and still being  
 an Attorney as aforesaid (that is to say you) meaning the said  
 Benjamin Randall, is a Cheating Knave and hathe cheated the Coun-  
 try, by Meanes of Speaking of w<sup>ch</sup> ffalse Malitious and Scandalous  
 Words, the Said Benjamin Randall is not onely Wounded in his  
 good name fame and Repute wherew<sup>th</sup> before that time hee was  
 Endued, but also hath lost divers and great sumes of Tobacco w<sup>ch</sup>  
 in psecuçon and defence of the pleas Accons suites of divers of the  
 good people of this Province in his Lo<sup>pps</sup> County Courts aforesaid  
 w<sup>ch</sup> there hee might have gotten and gained, but also hath beene  
 greatly damnified in his buying selling and dealeing w<sup>th</sup> Marchants  
 and others who have since the speaking the said Words w<sup>th</sup> drawne  
 from his Company and Refused to Converse w<sup>th</sup> him To the greate  
 damage of the said Benjamin Randall the Sume of six thousand  
 pounds of Tobacco, and thereupon hee brings his suite,

And the said William Harris by Robert Ridgely his Attorney  
 Cometh & defendeth the force and Injury when &c. and Prayeth  
 Liberty to imparle hereunto untill next Provinciaall Court. and It  
 is granted unto him, the same Day is given to the p<sup>l</sup>t also

p. 230 Now here att this Day To witt the Thirteenth day of May in the  
 ffifth Yeare of the Dominion of the R<sup>tt</sup> hono<sup>ble</sup> Charles Lord Balte-  
 more &c Came the said partyes by their Attorneys aforesaid, and the  
 said William Harris by his sayd Attorney Sayth, That hee is noe