

Eighty hogsheads of Tobacco did take and load on board the Said Ship Anne riding in Potuxent River [31] before that he the Said John Blackmore had given Bond with one Surety or produced Certificate according to the afore Said Act of Parliam<sup>t</sup> whereby the Said John Blackmore hath forfeited his Said Ship with all Guns Tackle Apparell and Furniture for his unlawfull loading or taking on board the Said Ship the afore Said Tobacco against the Forme of the Statute afore Said Whereupon the Said Edward Randolph who as well for our Said Sovereign Lord and Lady as for himself prayeth the one Moiety according to the Forme of the Statute and as well for our Said Sovereign Lord and Lady as for himself prayeth the advice of the Court in the premises And that the Said John Blackmore may Come here into Court to answer.

Plater, Att<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup>

And the Said John Blackmore by Robert Goldesborough his Attorney cometh and Defendeth the Force and injury when etc: and for Plea saith that he is not guilty in manner and Forme as in the Information afore Said is Sett Forth and for Tryall putts himself upon the Countrey, And the Said Edward Randolph who as well etc: also.

Command was therefore given to the Sherriffe of Ann Arrundell County that he Cause to Come here Twelve etc: by whom etc: and who neither etc: because as well etc: To Recognize etc:

Now here at this day to Witt the Three and Twentieth day of August Annoque Domi 1695 Came the Said Parties by their Attorneys afs<sup>d</sup> and the Jurors of that Jury being impannelled and Called Came likewise Viz<sup>t</sup> Philip Lynes, John Rockhold, Charles Stevens, William Dare Abraham Childe Alexander Kyele John Bronnick Edward Hall Alexander Dehenosia Michael Jude Robert Kirkland and William Harpham who being Elected tryed and Sworn to Speake the Truth of the Premises upon their Oathes doe Say, We of the Jury doe find the Said John Blackmore Not Guilty in manner and Form as afore Said.

Therefore it is Considered by the Justices here the Same day and Year afore Said, That the Said Edward Randolph Esq who as well etc: take nothing by the information afore Said, and that the Said John Blackmore go thereof without day.

Whereupon the Said Edw<sup>d</sup> Randolph Esq who as well etc: by George Plater his Attorney Craved an Appeale to his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> the Govern<sup>r</sup> and Councill, and it is granted unto him etc:

Cop: Henry Wriothsley Clk:

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[32] MARYLAND SS. Memorandum that this day to witt the Seaventh day of October Annoque Domini: One Thousand Six hundred ninety and Five came Edward Randolph Esq who as well for our Sovereign Lord and Lady