

The parish and within the Jurisdiction of this Court in and upon Mary Howard in the  
 peace of God and the said Lord properly then and there being with force and Arms an  
 assault did make and her the said Mary then and there did beat wound & sorely hurt  
 so that of her life it was much despaired and other harms to her did to the great  
 damage of the said Mary and against the peace of the said Lord properly in good  
 rule and Government & WHEREFORE the said attorney prayeth the advice of the  
 Court herein the premises for the said Lord properly and due process of Law against the said  
 James in this behalf to give to answer to the said Lord properly of and upon the premises  
 &c.

And the said James Dill in his proper persons comes and saith that he cannot  
 gain say the Information and so as aforesaid against him brought nor that he is  
 guilty of the premises above upon him imposed as by the said Indictment it is  
 alleged & thereupon submits to the Court. Therefore it is considered  
 by the Justices here to wit at about field for West County at the Court House in the  
 Town of Chester in said County on the third Tuesday in November being the thirtieth day  
 of said Month Anno Domini Seventeen hundred and thirty one That the same James  
 Dill pay the sum of fifty pounds of Tobacco to the Lord properly as a fine for committing  
 the assault aforesaid and also it is considered that the same pay the sum of two hundred  
 forty three pounds of Tobacco costs and charges incurred on the premises aforesaid to  
 the officers of this Court. ordered by this Court that Security be given for the fine and  
 fees aforesaid Mercurson W Charles Hyenson comes into Court and assumes the  
 fine and fees aforesaid