

These persons and such a time from the honorable
John Combs praying excuse for not attending in Council
being at present much indisposed Whereupon he is
Excused

Appeared before this Board Captain Francis
Sullivan Mr Gilbert Clark Thomas Dillon Esq. Fields
John Shanks Mr Joshua Hubert Mr. John Baptist
Cartery & Benjamin Cherdyn Esq. & this Board un-
derstanding that the said persons were knowing and
had heard of several invidious & evil Actions Practices &
Discourses used & done by General Rye John Good Senr
Robert Mason & Philip Clark of S^t Marys County
Yent did Order the said persons to write down their
several Depositions wherein they were to set forth the
& truth the whole truth & nothing but the truth what
they themselves knew or had heard concerning the
Mr Rye Mr Good Mr Mason & Mr Clark in relation
to this his Majestys Government or his Excellency the
Governor thereof

And thereupon the said persons withdrew & their
several Depositions being written they made oath upon
the holy Evangelists before Capt Richard Hill and Mr
Thomas Saker two of his Majestys Justices of the
Provincial Court And the said Depositions were
delivered to his Majestys Lawyers

June the 30 1698

Council late present as Yesterday

Also were present Captain Rich Hill Thomas
Saker Esq. George Plater Esq. Mr Rob Gouldenborough
& Major William Dent

Upon reading a certain Paragraph in a Letter