

of Maryland the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February in the 35<sup>th</sup> year of our Dominion  
over our said Province of Maryland annoq. Domini 1667

17 April 1669 Rob<sup>t</sup> Lawile Esq.

True Copy John Blomfield

M<sup>r</sup> Wells

I and M<sup>r</sup> Morecroft are by M<sup>r</sup> Richard Fitzallen both  
employed on your behalf by M<sup>r</sup> John Wright, & accordingly we have  
proceeded as he will at large satisfy you he having payd me the sum  
of one thousand pounds of tobacco in your behalf & M<sup>r</sup> Morecroft the  
like, not else at present from your friend

Daniel Jenifer

John Morecroft

This Paper produced by M<sup>r</sup> Morris against M<sup>r</sup> Morecroft  
Robert Lawile Esq.

Maryland

Robert Morris late of Talbot County in the Province aforesaid  
mainer by a writt of privilege issuing out of this Court was attached  
to answer unto J<sup>r</sup>. Morecroft one of the Attorneys Esq. in a plea of  
Trespasse upon the Case, and whereupon the said John in his pro:  
per person saith That whereas the said John hath been & is a faith:  
ful Liegeman of our Sovereign Lord the King that now is, & also hath  
been & is a faithful man to the Lord Proprietor of this Province &  
so hath honestly & truly behaved & demeaned himself to all his neigh:  
bours & of all other the good people of this Province, hitherto hath  
been so noted & Respected without any suspicion of Fraud Deceit falsity  
or Corruption, or any hurtful crime hath lived & continued unblemished  
and untouched, and whereas the said John the space of three years  
now last past was & is one of the Attorneys of the Provincial Court  
of this Province & by all that time diverse Business Suits & Causes  
for his Clients in the said Court prosecuting & defending, justly and  
faithfully hath prosecuted & defended, & by reason such his faithful  
prosecution of the Business Suits & Causes a<sup>t</sup> diverse fees Gains &  
Profits justly & honestly acquired, notwithstanding the s<sup>d</sup>. Robert  
not being ignorant of the premises maliciously intending the good  
name Fame & Reputation of him the s<sup>d</sup>. John altogether to hurt &  
blemish & to bring the said John into an evil opinion amongst his  
neighbours & others the hon<sup>ble</sup> people of this Province, but also stir  
up & move the displeasure of the hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lord Proprietor of this  
Province & the honourable Governour & Magistrates of this Province  
the eight & twentieth day of September in the seven & thirtieth year  
of the Dominion of Cecilius Esq. at the house of the said Lord Proprietor  
in Wild Street in the City of St. Marys in the County of St. Marys