

Dullingham Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> 1713

Give me leave to add to the the other troubles I have given you this of my thanks for your appearance on my behalf upon my Plantations on d<sup>y</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> of July last to see an Inventory made of the slaves and of what was standing or growing upon my said Plantations at that time more then my new Tenant or his agents had planted since the time of his entry upon the premises w<sup>ch</sup> I understand was some 11 months before the commencement of this lease (viz) the 25<sup>th</sup> of March last and I could wish it had been sooner to have prevented the untoward damage done by Major Gilliard at his going of thence you Exchanged the new lease Tenant for the Countess part thereof and the bond for performance of Covenants Executed d<sup>y</sup> said 30 of July by Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Lambert of w<sup>ch</sup> I have been in daily expectation since the receipt of the ~~last~~ Letters giving me an Account of the proceedings, & you knew Henry Garbrants who when our Island was lost in the Year 1668 was under the French and as other foreigners did acquired a sham Title to a part of my Plantation whereby he held it till I ejected him making then appear that he claimed under those that had no right to dispose of one Acre of my Plantations, I was greatly surprized when I heard, That one Mr. Williams had set a sham Title on foot again to eject my Tenant I hope the Court did me that Justice as to award me reasonable costs for so litigious and vexatious a suit so unjustly brought against me and my Tenant I can never be safe or quiet in my Possession if w<sup>th</sup> impunity my bring there actions against me for my Tenant upon such frivolous and dishonest grounds fraudulently & corruptly made and I cannot but wonder at that a Daughter of the said Henry Garbrants from whom there pretended title was derived should be admitted to be any ~~any~~ evidence in this cause of w<sup>ch</sup> proceedings I believe there is no precedent to be found however since the Court and Jury did me the Justice my cause deserved I have no reason to complain but on the contrary to thank them for so doing, & I hope this will find you and all your family in good health of w<sup>ch</sup> I shall be glad to hear by a few lines under your own hand when you shall please so farre to oblige

Y<sup>r</sup>

Your obliged humble servant

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Damage done by  
Major Gilliam. partner to  
Mr. Russell - new lease to  
be granted to Col. Lambert.  
an inventory of slaves and  
what was standing & growing  
and the estate &c.