## Margaret Spellman: The Information of Margaret Spellman wife of Nicholas Spellman of Rupert Street parish of St James Westminster yeoman 8 August 1698

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Who saith that on Fryday last this Informant was in company of one Mary Miller and Margery Iohnson in Rupert street aforesaid and then and there the said Margery Iohnson did declare that Mary Miller had ruind a Family by bear swearing against them and being treatcherous to them + would take away their lives especially M<sup>r</sup> Whitfields but that her mother Whitfield had that day fetcht her out of prison and paid part of her Fees and that she (Margery Iohnson) would endeavour to cut off the Evidence of the said Mary Miller which she had given against Whitfield and his wife and called Miller Treatcherous Bitch and the day following which was Saturday <41v> the said Margery Iohnson came to this Informant and did tell her that if she would swear against Mary Miller that she this Informant had seen her make false money she the said Margery Iohnson would help this Informant to a friend that would be very kind to her but this Deponent refusing to do so because she never saw any such thing by Miller The said Margery Iohnson did then declare that if she would not swear against Miller as aforesaid she would sear that this Deponent had made false money in her sight and shewed this Informant some money which was wrapt in a paper and said she would swear that she had it of this Informant.

And that in the evening of the day that Mary Miller was apprehended this Informant saw one M<sup>r</sup> Whitfield at his own Door in the parish of S<sup>t</sup>. Gyles Middlesex and the said Whitfield told this Informant that Mary Miller had decryed a Countrey Gentleman (a Friend of his) and had sent him to Newgate about Counterfeit pistols but had Whitfield imployd any Trusty friend to have put off Counterfeit pistols he could have got 10<sup>l</sup> per week by it and named severall of his acquaintance that got 10<sup>li</sup> a week by putting off Counterfeit Spanish pistolls who lived in Wapping as Whitfield declared but this Informant cannot remember their names

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