June Term 1790.

Command you that you have the body of the said Nathaniel Owens by whatsoever name he be called in the plea aforesaid together with the day and cause of his caption and detainer and all things thereunto relating before the Judges of our General Court to be held at the city of Annapolis on the second Tuesday of May next that our said Judges being rightly informed of the truth of the premises may further proceed therein as to Justice appertains and so forth and have you then and there this writ Witness Robert Hanson Harrison Esquire Chief Judge of our said Court the 16th day of November Anno domini 1785 -

Issued 15th March 1786 — G Duvall, — Thos B Hodgkin Cl.

At which said second Tuesday of May being the 9th day of the same month Anno domini 1786 The Justices and Sheriff of Ann Arundel County to whom the aforegoing writ was directed make return thereof and transmit to the Court here the following record to wit, Ann Arundel County fs. At a County Court of the State of Maryland begun and held at the city of Annapolis in and for the County aforesaid on the second Tuesday of August being the 9th day of the same month Anno Domini 1785

Were present

The Worshipful Nicholas Worthington, John Burgess, Allen Quynn, Samuel Harrison, Samuel Harrison Junr. Thomas Tongue Gentlemen Justices

Richard Harwood Sheriff — Nich. Harwood Cl.

In the record and proceedings of the same Court is the following to wit; -

James Franklin a Nathaniel Owens } Ann Arundel County fs. Command was given to the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County that he should take Nathaniel Owens late of Ann Arundel County otherwise called Nathaniel Owens of Ann Arundel County farmer if he should be found in his Bailiwick and that him he should safe keep so that he might have his body before the Justices of our County Court to be held at Annapolis the second Tuesday of August then next to answer unto James Franklin of a plea that he render unto him the sum of ninety pounds Specie of the value of the like sum of current money which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c. so forth - At which said second Tuesday in August being the 9th day of the same month in the year seventeen hundred and Eighty five being the day of the return of the said writ comes the said James Franklin by Henry Ridgely his Attorney and the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County to whom the aforegoing writ was directed comes and makes return thereof thus endorsed - Cepi Richard Harwood Sheriff - — And the said Nathaniel Owens by Gabriel Duvall his Attorney at the prayer of the said James Franklin by Henry Ridgely his Attorney John Hare of Ann Arundel County Planter being also present here in Court in his proper person undertakes for the said Nathaniel Owens that in case the said James Franklin shall recover Judgment against the said Nathaniel Owens in the action aforesaid or he the said Nathaniel Owens shall be thereof convict that then the said Nathaniel Owens shall pay to the said James Franklin the condemnation of the Court thereupon or render his body unto the custody of the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County in satisfaction thereof or that the said John Hare will do it for him - And the said Nathaniel Owens by Gabriel Duvall his Attorney comes and defends the force and injury when and so forth and prays leave to imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the plaintiff also -

At which said next Court to wit the second Tuesday in November seventeen hundred and Eighty five come again the said parties plaintiff and defendant by their Attornies aforesaid and the said defendant by his said Attorney prays further leave to imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the plaintiff also - Afterwards to wit on the second Tuesday of March seventeen hundred and eighty six come as well the said James Franklin by Henry Ridgely his Attorney aforesaid as the said Nathaniel Owens by Gabriel Duvall his Attorney aforesaid and the said Nathaniel Owens by his said Attorney produces to the Court here the States Writ of Habeas Corpus which is allowed by the Court and the record ordered to be transmitted accordingly. The State of Maryland fs. To the Justices and Sheriff of Ann Arundel County Greeting. Whereas Nathaniel Owens late of Ann Arundel County Yeoman is detained in the prison of our said County under the custody of you our said Sheriff at the suit of a certain James Franklin in a plea of debt and so forth which said plea still remains before you our said Justices undetermined as it is said and we being willing

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