R.R. Dm. Leonard Swingle
use of Joseph Donaldson
against
Z.H. Jgs. Horatio Gates & Wife
admrs Bartholomew Booth

Be it Remembered that heretofore to wit on the first day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Eighty six the plaintiff by Richard Ridgely his Attorney sued out of the Court here the State of Maylands Writ of Capias ad respondendum directed to the Sheriff of Washington County in the words and figures following to wit

The State of Maryland ss. To the Sheriff of Washington County Greeting. We command you that you take Horatio Gates and Mary his Wife administratrix of the Goods and Chattels rights and credits of Bartholomew Booth late of Washington County with the will of the said Bartholomew annexed if they shall be found in your bailiwick and them safe keep so that you have their bodies before the Judges of our General Court to be held at the City of Annapolis on the second tuesday of October next to answer unto Leonard Swingle of a plea that they render unto him the sum of Five thousand two hundred and fifty pounds current money which from him they unjustly detain and so forth Hereof fail not at your peril and have you then and there this Writ Witness Robert Hanson Harrison Esquire Chief Judge of our said Court the 19th day of June Anno domini 1786.

Issued 1st Septr 1786. R. Ridgely. Thos B. Hodgkin Cl.

And now here at this day to wit the said second tuesday of October being the tenth day of the same Month Anno domini seventeen hundred and eighty six and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ comes the said Leonard Swingle by his Attorney aforesaid And the Sheriff of Washington County to whom the same Writ was made and directed likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit

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And the said Horatio Gates and Mary his Wife administratrix aforesaid by Thomas Jennings their Attorney come and defend the force and Injury when and so forth And pray leave to Imparle herein until next Court and they have it and the same day is given to the plaintiff also

At which said next Court to wit the eighth day of May Anno domini seventeen hundred and eighty seven comes again the said parties Plaintiff and Defendants by their Attornies aforesaid And the said Defendants by their Attorney aforesaid pray further leave to Imparle herein until next Court and they have it And the same day is given to the plaintiff also

At which said next Court to wit the ninth day of October Anno domini seventeen hundred and Eighty seven comes again as well the said Leonard Swingle by his Attorney aforesaid as the said Horatio Gates and Mary his Wife administratrix aforesaid by their Attorney aforesaid And the said Leonard Swingle by David Mc Mecken his Attorney declared against the said Horatio Gates and Mary his Wife administratrix as aforesaid in the plea aforesaid as follows to wit

Western shore Washington County to wit Horatio Gates and Mary his Wife administratrix of the Goods and Chattels rights and credits of Bartholomew Booth late of Washington County with the will of the said Bartholomew Booth annexed were summoned to answer unto Leonard Swingle of a plea that they render unto him the sum of five thousand two hundred and fifty pounds current Money which from him they unjustly detain and so forth And whereupon the said Leonard Swingle by David Mc Mecken his Attorney saith that the said Bartholomew Booth in his life time to wit on the thirty first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty five at the County aforesaid by his writing obligatory aforesaid sealed with the seal of the said Bartholomew and to the Court now here shewn the date whereof is the same day and year aforesaid acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto the said Leonard Swingle in the said sum of five thousand two hundred and fifty pounds like current Money aforesaid to be paid to the said Leonard Swingle when after he should be thereunto required Nevertheless the said Bartholomew Booth in his life time and the said Horatio Gates and Mary his Wife after the death of the said Bartholomew Booth altho often requested and have not paid nor hath either of them paid the said sum of Money as aforesaid to the said Leonard Swingle but the said Bartholomew Booth in his life time and the said Horatio Gates and Mary his Wife after the death of the said Bartholomew Booth intirely refused to pay him the same and the said Horatio Gates and Mary his Wife still do refuse to pay him the same and unjustly detaineth to the damage of the said Leonard of ten thousand pounds current Money and thereof he brings Suit and so forth

D. Mc Mecken Atty for Quer. pledges to prosecute John Doe and Richard Roe

And the said Horatio Gates and Mary his Wife administratrix as aforesaid by their Attorney aforesaid pray an hearing of the writing obligatory aforesaid and of the Condition thereof and they have them as follows to wit

Know all Men by these presents that I Bartholomew Booth of Washington County in the State of Maryland am held and firmly bound