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April Term 1787.

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State of Maryland
against
William Patten &
David Patten

Be it remembered that on the tenth day of January Anno Domini, one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, Command was given to the Sheriff of Cecil County, that he should take William Patten and David Patten, if they shall be found in his bailiwick, and them safe keep, so that he might have their bodies before the Judges of the next General Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of this State at Talbot County Court House, the second Tuesday of April next, to answer unto the State of Maryland of a plea, that they render unto the said State the sum of two hundred and sixty pounds current money which from the said State they unjustly detain and so forth: And that thereof he the said Sheriff should not fail at his Peril, and that he should have then and there, that writ &c.—

And now here at this day, to wit, the said second Tuesday of April Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, cometh the State of Maryland by Luther Martin Attorney General of the said State and Archibald Job the Sheriff of the County aforesaid to the Court here, maketh return that by virtue of the writ to him directed he had taken the bodies of the said William Patten and David Patten and the same has ready according to the exigence of the same writ: and the said William Patten and David Patten by Aquilla Hall their Attorney come here into Court: Thereupon the said William Patten and David Patten at the prayer of the said State of Maryland are ruled to give special Bail in the plea aforesaid: Thereupon the said William Patten and David Patten file in Court here the following Bail piece, to wit:

The State of Maryland
against
William Patten and
David Patten....

We William Johnson and Robert McMaster do acknowledge yourselves special Bail for the said William Patten and David Patten at the suit of the State of Maryland in an action brought by said State against the said William Patten and David Patten in the General Court; they acknowledge themselves to be content therewith this 31st day of March 1787.

Jeremiah Baker
Nat Ramsay

To the honorable the Judges of the General Court.