

Richard Hopkins
Joseph Clarke
A^{to} Ridgely

And the said Richard by William
Pinkney his Attorney comes and defends
the force and Injury when and forth-
and saith. That the said Joseph
ought not to have his Execution aforesaid

for the Debt and damages aforesaid of the Lands and
Tenements aforesaid in the Return of the Writ of Habeas
facias aforesaid mentioned whereof he is returned
Tenant because he saith that the said Thomas Rutland
in the same Writ of Habeas facias mentioned or any other
person or persons to the use of the said Thomas Rutland
and his Heirs at the Time of the Condition of the Judgment
aforesaid in the same Writ ^{first} above mentioned or ever after
was not nor were seized of the same Lands and Tenements
or of any parcel thereof in demesne as of fee and this he is
ready to verify. Wherefore he prays Judgment if the
said ~~judgment~~ Joseph ought to have his Execution
against him for the Debt and Damages aforesaid of
the Lands and Tenements aforesaid and forth. And
the said Richard with the leave of the Court here
according to the form of the Statute in such case made and
provided further defends the force and Injury when
and forth and saith that the aforesaid Joseph his
said Execution against him the said Richard for the
Debt and Damages aforesaid of the Lands and
Tenements aforesaid mentioned in the Return of the
Writ aforesaid whereof and forth ought not to have
because he saith, That there is no such Record of the
Confession of Judgment aforesaid by the said
Thomas Rutland, John Craig McCubbin and Joseph
Clarke for the Debt and Damages aforesaid in the said
Writ of Habeas facias above mentioned as the said Joseph
by his said Writ hath alledged - and this he is ready to
verify wherefore he prays judgment if the said
Joseph his Execution aforesaid for the Debt and Damages
aforesaid of the Lands and Tenements aforesaid.