Anne Arundel County to wit, on the tenth May 1706 Captain Andrew Bryson personally appeared before the Subscriber one of the justices of the peace for the County aforesaid and made oath, that the above and within account is just and true as it stands stated and that he hath not directly or indirectly received any part or parcell thereof, nor any security or satisfaction for the same more than Credit given to the best of his knowledge, save an Acct for goods had out of his store which he has not being able to Obtain though apply'd for the amount whereof he does not know but is willing to allow—

Sworn before Allen Quynn

Whereupon accordingly issued Subpenas in the usual form, and the following Injunction against the said John Petty and Thomas Rutland and Mr Exeat against the said John Petty returnable to the next Court to wit— Maryland ss. The State of Maryland, to John Petty and Thomas Rutland of Ann Arundel County Greeting, whereas Andrew Bryson Mariner hath Exhibited his Bill of Complaint to us in our high Court of Chancery against you the said John Petty and Thomas Rutland for Relief in equity and to stay and surcease you from disposing of the Ship Whitty or removing the same from the Harbour of Annapolis, and from disposing of five thousand Bushels of Salt part of the Cargo of the said Ship Whitty, and to stay you and each of you from all suits & prosecutions of suits at law against the said Andrew Bryson on Account of the said Ship and Salt, we therefore Command and strictly enjoin you the said John Petty and Thomas Rutland and each and every of you from henceforth Absolutely to stay and surcease from disposing or removing of the said Ship Whitty from the Harbour of Annapolis and from Disposing of the said Salt, and also that you stay and surcease from issuing Execution on any judgment against the said Andrew Bryson on Account of the said Ship Whitty and the said Salt, with liberty Nevertheless that you the said John Petty may proceed to the tryal of your Replevin at law, but to stay Execution on any Judgment obtained thereon until the further Order of the high Court of Chancery Witness the Honorable John Rogers Esquire Chancellor this 13th day of May Anno Domini 1706

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Maryland ss. The State of Maryland, to the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County Greeting— whereas information has been given that John Petty hath purposed to go to foreign parts to the great damage of this State, to prevent the loss of very many of the inhabitants thereof and particularly of Andrew Bryson, being willing to resist his malice in this behalf you are commanded and strictly injoined that without delay you cause the said John Petty to come before the high Court of Chancery and that you compel the said John Petty to find sufficient sureties who will undertake for him under a certain penalty to be by you imposed, and whereby you will answer unto this state that he the said John Petty out of this State to any foreign parts shall not depart in prejudice of the aforesaid Andrew Bryson, and if he shall refuse to do this before you, that then you commit the said John Petty to the next prison therein to be safely kept until he shall freely do the same and when you have the same security so taken that you certify the same to the high Court of Chancery distinctly and openly under your hand and seal without delay sending back this writ. Witness, the Honorable John Rogers Esquire Chancellor this 13th day of May Anno Domini 1706—

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At which next Court to wit, the third Tuesday of May seventeen hundred and eighty six came David Stewart Sheriff of Ann Arundel County and made Return of the several process aforesaid, and thereon indorsed on the Subpenas summoned David Stewart sheriff Ad Testf On the Injunction served and on the Exeat. I hereby certify that by virtue of a writ of Mr Exeat, I have compelled John Petty to find sufficient sureties who have undertaken for him under penalty by me on him imposed whereby I will answer unto the State that he the said John Petty out of this State to any foreign parts shall not depart in prejudice of the said Andrew Bryson of this State in said writ mentioned In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 16th day of May Anno Domini 1786—

David Stewart Shff (seal)

And filed here in Court the following Bond to wit Know all men by these presents that we John Petty, William Barnes, John Groves all of Ann Arundel County in the State of Maryland are held and firmly bound unto the said State of Maryland in the full and just sum of three thousand pounds Current money to the which payment well and truly to be made and done we bind ourselves and each of us our, and each of our heirs Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this 16th day of May one thousand seven hundred and eighty six, the Condition of the above obligation is such, that if the above bound John Petty out of this State shall not depart to any foreign parts in prejudice of a certain Andrew Bryson in the state of Maryland or in prejudice of any of the inhabitants of this State, and do make his personal appearance before the high Court of Chancery to be held at the City of Annapolis the third Tuesday in May Instant and abide by and fulfill and Obey all such orders and decrees as the Chancellor shall make in and upon a bill filed by the said Andrew Bryson against the said John Petty then the above Obligation to be void else to remain in full force and virtue in Law.

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of D Stewart.

John Petty (seal)
William Barnes (seal)
John Groves (seal)

And at the same Court came Gabriel Duvall of Council with the defendant and appeared to the Bill aforesaid, and on the ninth day of June following exhibits into this court his answer in the words following viz. The Answer of John Petty to the bill of Complaint of Andrew Bryson, the said Defendant, saving and Reserving to himself now and at all times hereafter all and all manner of Benefit and advantage of exceptions to the manifold uncertainties & imperfections in the complainants said bill of complaint contained for answer thereunto, or unto so much thereof as materially concern this defendant to make answer unto, he answeth and saith, that he believes it to be true that the said complainant made an agreement with Thomas Rutland, in the said bill named, on the day and to the effect specified in and by said Agreement referred to by the said bill & that in consequence of said agreement the said complainant took the care & management of said Ship called the Whitty but this defendant does not admit that any promises or engagements were ever made by Thomas Rutland aforesaid, other than the agreement aforesaid, or that the said Thomas Rutland did make, or could lawfully make any promise or engagement to render the said Ship liable and answerable for the wages which might at any time be due to the said Andrew Bryson or for any advances by him made on the credit of the said Thomas Rutland — this defendant further answering saith that the said Ship Whitty was purchased by the said Thomas Rutland some time in the month of April in

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