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 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 12th day of October Anno Domini 1784.

Issued the 13th day of November 1784. (Sgd) Thos. B. Hodgkin Clk.

At which said Second Tuesday of May being the 10th day of the same month anno Domini 1785 the Justices and Sheriff of Frederick County to whom the aforegoing writ was directed make return thereof and transmit to the Court here the following record, to wit:- Maryland Frederick County (to wit) At a County Court begun and held at the Court House in and for Frederick County on the third Tuesday of November being the sixteenth day of the same month in the year Seventeen hundred and Eighty four -

Were present

Upton Sheredine, William Beatty, Jacob Young, James Johnson, William Murdock Beall, William Luckett, Joseph Wood, George Scott, William Maguder, Charles Warfield, Henry Darnall and George Mindock Gentlemen Justices in and for the County aforesaid lawfully authorized assigned and so forth -

Adam Fisher Esq. Sheriff. William Pitchie Clerk

In the records and proceedings of the same Court are the following, to wit;

William Buchanan
v versus
Robert Wood, Joseph Wood and Valentine Creager

Be it remembered that heretofore (to wit) the twenty four day of February in the year seventeen hundred and Eighty four command was given to the Sheriff of Frederick County that he should take Robert Wood late of Frederick County yeoman Joseph Wood late of Frederick County Gentleman and Valentine Creager late of Frederick County yeoman otherwise called Robert Wood, Joseph Wood junr and Valentine Creager all of Frederick County in the State of Maryland if they should be found in his Bailiwick and them should safe keep so that he might have their bodies before the Justices of the then next County Court to be held at the Court House in Frederick Town in said County on the third Tuesday of March then next to answer unto William Buchanan in a plea that they render unto him the sum of Six hundred and seventy one pounds nine shillings and four pence Specie Current money of Maryland which to him they owed and unjustly detained 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 and so forth - At which said third Tuesday of March being the sixteenth day of the same month seventeen hundred and Eighty four and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ comes into Court here the said William Buchanan by Richard Potts his Attorney and the Sheriff of Frederick County to whom the same writ was directed likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed (to wit)

Cepi Adam Fisher Shff. -

Whereupon the said Robert Wood, Joseph Wood and Valentine Creager being called

appear and at the prayer of the said William Buchanan by his Attorney aforesaid the said Robert Wood, Joseph Wood and Valentine Creager are adjudged to give special bail to the action aforesaid but for want thereof on the part and behalf of the said Robert Wood he the said Robert Wood is committed to the Custody of the Sheriff of Frederick County aforesaid there to remain until and so forth who being present here in court took charge of him accordingly And thereupon Adam Creager and Andrew Adams of Frederick County yeoman present here in Court undertook and became pledge and Mainucaptor for the aforesaid Joseph Wood and Valentine Creager at the suit of the aforesaid William Buchanan in the plea aforesaid that in case they the said Joseph Wood and Valentine Creager in the plea aforesaid should be legally convict that then they the said Joseph Wood and Valentine Creager should pay the condemnation of the Court thereupon or render their bodies into the Custody of the Sheriff of the County aforesaid in satisfaction thereof or that they the said Adam Creager and Andrew Adams would do the same for them. And the said Robert Wood (in Custody as aforesaid) Joseph Wood and Valentine Creager by Thomas Jennings their Attorney defend the force and injury when and so forth and pray leave to imparle hereunto until the next Court to be held for the County aforesaid on the third Tuesday of August next and they have it the same day is given to the plaintiff also. At which said next Court to wit the third Tuesday and sixteenth day of August seventeen hundred and Eighty four come here again as well the plaintiff by his Attorney aforesaid as the defendants by their Attorney aforesaid and the said Defendants by their Attorney aforesaid pray further leave to imparle hereunto until the next to be held for the County aforesaid on the third Tuesday of November next and they have it the same day is given to the plaintiff also. And now here at this day to wit the third Tuesday of November being the sixteenth day of the same month seventeen hundred and Eighty four come again as well the said William Buchanan by his Attorney aforesaid as the said Robert Wood (in Custody as aforesaid) Joseph Wood and Valentine Creager by their Attorney aforesaid and the said Robert Wood, Joseph Wood and Valentine Creager by their said Attorney (as before) defend the force and injury when and so forth and produces to the Court now here the following Habeas Corpus (to wit) State of Maryland ss. To the Justices and Sheriff of Frederick County Greeting whereas a certain Robert Wood, Joseph Wood and Valentine Creager are detained in the prison of our said County under the Custody of you our said Sheriff at the suit of a certain William Buchanan 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 for divers cause that the plea aforesaid undetermined as aforesaid should be heard and determined before the Judges of our General Court. do therefore command you that you have the bodys of the said Robert Wood, Joseph Wood and Valentine Creager by what soever names they be called in the plea aforesaid together with the day and cause of their 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 may further proceed therein