truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said Thomas Bladen his certain Attorney Executors Administrators or Assigns the just and full sum of seventy four pounds ten shillings and three pence Sterling money at or upon the first day of July next with legal Interest thereon without fraud or further delay then the above Obligation to be void else to remain in full force and Virtue in Law. — which being read and heard the said John Standiford saith that the said Daniel Dulany Administrator aforesaid his Action aforesaid thereof against him to have or maintain ought not because he saith that after making the said writing obligatory, and before the issuing of the Original Writ in this Cause he the said John Standiford did pay to the said Daniel Dulany Administrator as aforesaid the aforesaid several sums of Sterling Money in the said Conditions mentioned with legal Interest thereon to wit, at Baltimore County aforesaid, and this he the said John Standiford is ready to verify Wherefore he prays Judgment if the said Daniel Dulany Administrator aforesaid his Action aforesaid against him to have and maintain ought and so forth. — And the said John Standiford with the leave of the Court here and according to the form of the Statute in such Case made and provided comes by his Attorney aforesaid and further defends the force and injury when and so forth, and saith that the said Daniel Dulany Administrator aforesaid his Action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought not because he saith that he the said John Standiford on the fourth day of July in the year seventeen hundred and seventy six, became a Citizen of the State of Maryland owing and yielding Allegiance to the same, and hath ever since remained a Citizen of the said State to wit, at the County aforesaid and that the said Daniel Dulany Administrator aforesaid in the said Declaration mentioned was at the day and year aforesaid and from the time of his nativity had been and always since hath been and still is a subject of the King of Great Britain and residing in the British Dominions which said King was and all his Subjects liege and adherents were at the day and year aforesaid Enemies of the said State of Maryland, and continued enemies thereof, until the third day of September in the year seventeen hundred and eighty three and that the said Daniel Dulany Administrator aforesaid was on the day and year first aforesaid an enemy of the State of Maryland

and so continued until the said third day of September in the year seventeen hundred and eighty three, and that thereby the said debt in the declaration mentioned became confiscated and forfeited to the State of Maryland by the common Law thereof, liable to be demanded by and payable to the said State at all times from the said fourth day of July seventeen hundred and seventy six to the said third day of September in the year seventeen hundred and eighty three and at any time between the aforesaid days to wit, on the twentieth day of March seventeen hundred and eighty one at Baltimore County aforesaid and further he the said John Standiford in fact saith that he the said John Standiford together with Thomas Hutchins, David Johnson and William Goodwin who were joint Obligors with him the said John Standiford in the several writings Obligatory aforesaid, did on the said twentieth day of March in the year seventeen hundred and eighty one, pay to the said State of Maryland the aforesaid several sums of Sterling Money in the said Conditions mentioned with legal Interest thereon to wit, at Baltimore County aforesaid and that they the said John Standiford, Thomas Hutchins and David Johnson did obtain a joint receipt in discharge of the said several sums of Sterling Money and interest thereon due according to the Conditions of the said writings Obligatory which said receipt was signed by Thomas Harwood who was at that time and always since hath continued Treasurer of the Western Shore of the said State of Maryland and to whom debts due to the said State were and are of right payable to wit, on the said twentieth day of March seventeen hundred and eighty one, to wit, at Baltimore County aforesaid, And the said John Standiford is ready to verify wherefore he prays Judgment if the said Daniel Dulany Administrator aforesaid his Action aforesaid against him to have and maintain ought and so forth. —

Nevertheless the aforesaid John Standiford afterwards to wit on this same second Tuesday of May Anno Domini seventeen hundred and eighty eight by his Attornies aforesaid comes again into Court here and prays leave of the Court here on the absent of the aforesaid Daniel Dulany Administrator aforesaid by his Attornies aforesaid to withdraw the second plea of him the said