The Petition mentioned in the Libel aforesaid follows in these Words Viz

To the Honourable Stephen Bordley Esq. Commissary General and Chief Judge for Probate of Wills &c

The Petition of Charles Orrick of Cecil County Humbly sheweth

That a certain Joseph Daps late of Cecil County died largely indebted to your Petitioner leaving a Will wherein the said Joseph Daps appointed William Reynolds of the Province of Pennsylvania his Executor — Your Petitioner sheweth to your Honour that the said Will has been lodged in the Prerogative Office above three Months and that no person has taken out or Petitioned for Letters of Administration that the Widow of the said Joseph Daps has taken into Possession the Effects of the Dd Joseph and hath made a great Waste with them that upon the Face of Said Will there are great marks of Fraud and the said Will is now in contest Your Petitioner therefore being a large Creditor and there being no probability that the Exor will act or that the Title of the Said Joseph can be Established Prays your Honour to grant him Letters of Administration pending the Contest aforesaid And your Petitioner as in duty bound will pray &c

Chas Orrick

granted on complying with the usual requisites Bordley —

Whereupon the Said Libellant hath his Lordships Writ of Citation to him granted directed to the Sheriff of Cecil County commanding him to Cite and Summon the Said Charles Orrick that he be and appear he to answer the Premises aforesaid — returnable the Second Tuesday in November next —

At which Said Second Tuesday of November being the 13th day of the Same Month Anno Domini 1766 comes again the said Libellant by his Proctor aff and the Sheriff of Cecil County aff to whom the Precept aff was directed also comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus indorsed Viz

Served & Rettn Thomas Sher.

Whereupon the Said Charles Orrick by Saml. Chace his Proctor appears here into Court and files his Answer to the Libel & Complaint of the Libellant aforesaid which Said Answer follows in these Words to Wit

The Answer of Charles Orrick of Cecil County to the Libell and Complaint of William Reynolds of West Nottingham in the County of Chester and Province of Pennsylvania — This Respondent having & reserving to himself all Manner & Benefit of Exception & advantage to the many Untruths Uncertainties & Insufficiencies in the Said Libell & Complaint alledged to Somuch thereof as he is advised is material for him to make answer unto he answereth & Saith that he doth admit that the Said Joseph Daps did on the Dd July 1754 make and Execute his last Will and Testament & thereby did appoint Joseph Reynolds late of Chester County in the Province of Pennsylvania deceased Exor of his Said last Will and Testament That the Said Joseph Daps did some Time before his Death which happened about the 9th of March in the year 1764 — desire the Name of Joseph Reynolds appointed Exor in the Said Will & then Dead to be Scratched out & the Name of William Reynolds the Libellant to be inserted & did then Seal & acknowledge the Will so made & executed on the Dd July 1754 to be his last Will and Testament but this Respondent doth Expressly deny that the Said Joseph Daps at the Time herein before last mentioned ever Signed the Said Will or that any Proof was ever made of Such Signing — This Respondent further Answering Saith that he doth admit that he did Exhibit Such Petition Setting forth that he was a large Creditor of the Said Joseph Daps as also the other Particulars in the Dd Libell alledged and this Respondent doth Expressly aver and Say the Truth is that the Said Joseph Daps was indebted to this Respondent by a certain writing Obligatory in the Penalty of £530. Pen. Cur. Conditioned for the Payment of £265 like Money at the Several Days of Payment therein mentioned — That the Day of Payment of 100£ is long Since Past & of one other 100£ is almost come. This Respondent Doth admit that Letters of Admin with a Copy of the Will annexed generally were

granted