To which said payment the said Robt by his writing obligatory doth firmly bound himselfe his heirs his executors and assigns of Four hundred & Eighty pounds sterling to ye said Stephen Elliot who often thereto required hath not rendred and paid but ye said Robt and pray hath hitherto denied and still doth deny to the great damage of ye said Stephen Two Hundred Eighty pounds sterling the breach whereof he brings this suit & he brings into Court the writing obligatory with witnesses ye date and in forma dat where date is the day & year aforesd

And the said Robt by Robt Goldsborough his Attorney comes and defendeth ye force and injury when & wrongs ye hearing of ye writing obligatory & it is read unto him & prayeth the hearing of ye condition of ye said writing obligatory and it is read unto him in these words viz

The condition of ye above obligation is such that if ye above bounden Wm Edmondson his heirs ye Admr or assigns or any other person or persons whosoever on his behalfe shall well & truely pay or cause to be paid to ye above named Stephen Elliot his ye Admr Assigns or certain Attorney the full & sum sum of Two hundred and forty pounds sterling by good & sufficient bills of exch to be drawne upon some merchant in London the same to be answered & paid by such person according to honour & sight and shall likewise give good security for ye payment of ye above said bills of exch to be discharged to ye said Stephen Elliot Admr before ye last day of October next ensuing ye date hereof and pay on twenty days sight of ye said bills then the penal obligation to be void otherwise to remaine & be in full force and vertue

And the said Robt Hughes by Robt Goldsborough his Attorney comes and defends the force and injury when & pray leave to imparle hereunto until the next Court which is granted him & the second day is given to ye plaintiff also

At which said next Court came again the said parties by their said Attorneys and ye said Stephen by his said Attorney prays that the said defendt to his said demand answer but ye said Robt [illegible] says he is not informed by his client of any sufficient matter in law to plead in bar or abatement of the action

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