Twenty first day of July Anno Domi One Thousand Seven hundred and fourteen at Charles Town in Prince Georges County aforesaid Merchant according to the Customs of Merchants and Others of this the province of Maryland and the City of London in Great Britain sold and made and drew his first bill of Exchange with his proper hand Subscribed bearing date the day & year aforesaid to Certain Arden Carleton Merch.t in London residing and Resident being directed and by such bill requested the said Arden Carleton at Twenty days sight of such first bill of Exchange his second and third of the same tenor and date not being paid to pay into the aforesaid Arden Carleton or his order the Summe of One hundred and Sixteen pounds Sterl.g for value of him recd by which said first bill of Exchange the Second & third of the same Tenor and date not being paid the aforesaid Arden (not having Effects of the said Thomas Spragg in his hands Suff.t to pay the aforesaid Summe) at the City of London (viz.t) at the City of Annapolis in the County of Ann.e by Indorsm.t with his proper hand on the back of the said bill ~~[illegible]~~ Ordered the aforesaid Summe to be paid to the aforesaid Jon.a Howard or his Order for value of him recd whereof the aforesaid Thomas Spragg the fifteenth day of July Anno Domi One Thousand Seven hundred and fourteen at the City of Annapolis aforesaid in the County of Ann.e aforesaid had notice by reason whereof and of the Customs aforesaid the said Thomas Spragg standeth chargable to the payment of the aforesaid Summe of One hundred and Sixteen pounds Sterl.g to the aforesaid Jon.a Howard (and the aforesaid Thomas in Consid.n of the premises the aforesaid fifteenth day of July aforesaid in the year of our Lord ~~[illegible]~~ One thousand Seven hundred and fourteen aforesaid at the City of Annapolis aforesaid upon himself assumed and to the said Jon.a then and there faithfully promised that he the said Thomas the aforesaid Summe of One hundred and Sixteen pounds Sterl.g to the said Jon.a when afterwards he should be thereunto required would well and truly Content and pay Nevertheless the aforesaid Thomas his promise and assumpt.n aforesaid made not regarding but mindeing and fraudulently Intending the same Jon.a Howard in this part Craftily and Subtilly to deceive and defraud of the aforesaid Summe of One hundred and Sixteen pounds Sterl.g to the said Jon.a Howard altho' required by the said Jonathan the Sixteenth day of

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July Anno Domi One thousand Seven hundred and fourteen at the City of Annapolis aforesaid in Ann Arundel County aforesaid hath not paid but the same to him to pay hath refused and still doth refuse to the damage of the aforesaid Jon.a Howard Two hundred p.ds Sterl.g and therefore he brings his Suit &c.

Pledges &c. Jn.o Doe Rd. Roe

And the aforesaid Thomas Spragg by Thomas Mauncunge his att.y in this Court and defends the force and injury when &c. and prays Leave to Imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the aforesaid also — At which said next Court to wit the 13.th day of April Anno Domi 1715 Come again the said parties aforesaid and defend.t by their attorneys aforesaid and the said defend.t by his said attorney prays further Leave to Imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the aforesaid also — At which said next Court to wit the 13.th day of September Anno Domi 1715 Come again the said parties aforesaid and defend.t by their attorneys aforesaid and the said defend.t by his said attorney prays further Leave to Imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same day is Given to the aforesaid also —

At which said next Court to wit the first day of May Anno Domi 1716 Come again the said parties aforesaid and defend.t by their attorneys aforesaid by his said attorney prays further Leave to Imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same day is Given to the aforesaid also — At which said next Court to wit the 5.th day of July Anno Domi 1716 Come again the said parties aforesaid and defend.t by their attorneys aforesaid and the said defend.t by his said attorney prays further Leave to Imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same day is Given to the aforesaid also —

At which said next Court to wit the 11.th day of Sept.r Anno Domi 1716 Comes again as well the said Jonathan Howard by his attorney aforesaid as the said Thomas Spragg by his attorney aforesaid and the said Thomas Spragg by his said attorney as before defends the force and injury when &c. and saith that he hath not whereupon himself & the said Jonathan in manner and forme as the aforesaid above ag.st him hath declared & of this he puts himself upon the Country — And the aforesaid Jonathan likewise

Thereupon Command is Given to the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County that he