bringe Suit &c And the said Attorney General of the said Lord Propry bringe here into Court the Writing Obligatory afs. Sealed with the Seal of the afs. Robert Hanwood which the Debt afs. in form afs. Witnesseth whose Date is the Day and Year afs.

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And the afs. Robert Hanwood by James Tilghman his Attorney comes and Defends the force and Injury when &c And Prays an hearing of the said Writing Obligatory and he hath it he also prays an hearing of the Condition of the same Writing and he hath it in these words following Viz. The Condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above Bounden Richard Porter do well and truly serve the Right Honourable the Lord Propry his Heirs and Successors in the Office of High Sheriff of the County of Talbot within the Province afs. and in all things well and faithfully Execute the same Office and also shall Render unto his said Lordship and other his Officers a true faithfull and perfect Account of all and Singular his said Lordships Rights and Dues to his Officers a true and just Account of their fees that he shall or may be Entrusted with by his said Lordships Governor and other his Officers within this Province to Receive and Collect and his Account to his said Lordship his Heirs and Successors and to his and their Governor here for the time being for the fines and forfeitures and other Dues belonging to his said Lordships Governor as also his Account of all fees Dues and Sums of Money or Tobacco due to any of the good people within this Province for any Sum or Sums of Money or Tobacco wherewith the said Sheriff shall be Entrusted during the time of his Shrievalty for this present or to such of them as shall require the same shall pass and Render by the tenth Day of May next Ensuing the Date hereof and in all other things as Sheriff of the County of Talbot shall behave himself well and honestly to all Persons according to the best of his Power Skill and Knowledge then this Obligation to be Void and of none Effect or else to stand in full force Strength and Virtue

He also prays an hearing of the Original Writ of the said Lord Propry in the Plea afs. and hath it as follows Viz. Maryland ss Charles Absolute Lord and Propry of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c To the Sheriff of Talbot County greeting We Command you that you take Robert Hanwood late of Talbot County Merchant otherwise called Robert Hanwood of Talbot in the Province afore said if he shall be found in your Bailiwick and him safe keep so that you have his Body before the Justices of our Provincial Court to be held at Annapolis the Second Tuesday of September next to Answer unto us of a Plea that he Render unto us the full Sum and just Quantity of two hundred Thousand Pounds of good Sound Merchantable leaf Tobacco and Cask which to us he owes and unjustly Detains &c how of fail not at your Peril and have you then and there this Writ Witness Benjamin Young Esqr. Chief Justice of our Provincial Court the twenty sixth Day of April in the 32d Year of our Dominion &c Anno Dom. 1746

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He likewise prays an hearing of the Indorsement on the said Writ and hath it as follows Viz. Mem. the within Writ is Issued on Richd. Porters Sheriffs Bond Dated the 8. day of November 1742 by Order of the Governor at the Request of the lower House of Assembly of the Province of Maryland Test R Bundle Clk

Which being Read and heard the said Robert Hanwood by his Attorney afs. saving to himself all advantages as well to the Writ as the Declaration afs. Prays Leave to Imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same Day is given to Henry Darnall Esqr. his Lordships Attorney General who &c also

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At which said next Court to wit the 14th Day of April Anno Dom. 1747 Comes again as well Henry Darnall Esqr. his Lordships Attorney General who &c as the said Robert Hanwood by his Attorney afs. And the said Robert Hanwood by his said Attorney prays further Leave to Imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same Day is given to Henry Darnall Esqr. his Lordships Attorney General who &c also

At which said next Court to wit the 20th Day of October Anno Dom. 1747 Comes again as well Henry Darnall Esqr. his Lordships Attorney General who &c as the said Robert Hanwood by his Attorney afs. and the said Robert Hanwood by his said Attorney Prays further Leave to Imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same Day is given to Henry Darnall Esqr. his Lordships Attorney General who &c also

At which said next Court to wit the 17th Day of May Anno Dom. 1748 Comes again as well Henry Darnall Esqr. his Lordships Attorney General who &c as the said Robert Hanwood by his Attorney afs. And the said Robert Hanwood by his said Attorney Prays further Leave to Imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same Day is given to Henry Darnall Esqr. his Lordships Attorney General who &c also

At which said next Court to wit the 10th Day of October Anno Dom. 1748 Comes again as well Henry Darnall Esqr. his Lordships Attorney General who &c as the said Robert Hanwood by his Attorney afs. Whereupon as well Henry Darnall Esqr. his Lordships Attorney General who &c as the said Robert Hanwood by his Attorney afs. Sug gest to the Court here that a Material Evidence in the said Cause is beyond Sea without whose Testimony they cannot come to Tryal Thereupon the said Cause is Continued untill next

At which said next Court to wit the 16th Day of May Anno Dom. 1749 Comes again as well Henry Darnall Esqr. his Lordships Attorney General who &c as the said Robert Hanwood by his Attorney afs. and the said Robert Hanwood by his said Attorney Prays further Leave to Imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same Day is given to Henry Darnall Esqr. his Lordships Attorney General who &c also

At which said next Court to wit the 17th Day of October Anno Dom. 1749 Comes again as well Henry Darnall Esqr. his Lordships Attorney General who &c as the said Robert Hanwood by his Attorney afs. And the said Robert Hanwood by his said Attorney as before Defends the force and Injury when &c And saith that the said Lord Propry his Action afs. against him to have or maintain ought not Because he saith that the same Richd. Porter in the Condition afs. named during all the time of his Shrievalty in the same Condition mentioned did well and truly serve the said Right Honorable the Lord Propry in the Office of High Sheriff of the County of Talbot within the Province afs. and in all things well and faithfully did Execute the same Office and also did Render unto his said Lordship and other his Officers a true faithfull and Perfect Account of all and Singular his said Lordships Rights and Dues and to his Officers a true and just Account of their fees which During that time he was Entrusted with by his said Lordships Governor & other his Officers within this Province to Receive and Collect and his Account to his said Lordship and to his Governor here for the time being for the fines and forfeitures and other Dues belonging to his said Lordships Governor as also his Account of all fees Dues and Sums of Money and Tobacco due to any of the good people within this Province for any Sum or Sums of Money or Tobacco wherewith he the said Richard was Entrusted during the time of his Shrievalty for that present did pass and Render by the tenth Day of May next Ensuing the Date of the Writing Obligatory afs. and in all other things as Sheriff of

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