Sum of Sixty Pounds Sterling as the said William above hath Alledged and this he prays may be enquired of by the Country and the said William also

Nevertheless the said William Frew by his said Attorney relinquishing the Averment above by him pretended the same Attorney of the said William Frew saith that he is not Informed by the said William Frew of any Answer for the same William Frew to the afs. Robert Collings in the Plaint afs. to be given and nothing else thereof saith whereby the said Robert Collings remains against the said William Frew thereof undefended

Therefore it is considered by the Justices here that the said Robert Collings recover against the said William Frew as well the Sum of One hundred and twenty Pounds Sterl. his Debt afs. as also the Sum of

653 3/4 Pounds of Tobacco by the Court here unto him in his Assent Adjudged as well for his Damages Sustained by means of detaining that Debt as for his Costs and Charges by him about his Suit in this behalf laid out and Expended and the said Defendant in Mercy &c.

Test. R Burdus Clk

Wt Matthew Coulter } Comm.d was given to the Sheriff of Baltimore County that he should
a. } take Benjamin Bond late of Baltimore County Planter otherwise
Pl Benjamin Bond } called Benjamin Bond of Baltimore County aforesaid Planter if he should be found in his Bailiwick and him should safe keep so that he might have his Body before the Justices of his Lordships Provincial Court to be held at Annapolis the third Tuesday of October then next to Answer unto Matthew Cowlter of a Plea that he render unto him the full and just Sum of one hundred and Twenty Pounds Sterling Money of England which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c. and that thereof he the said Sheriff should not fail &c.

And the said Matthew Coulter by William Cumming his Attorney Declares against the afsd Benjamin Bond in the Plea aforesaid as follows (Viz.t)

Maryland ss. Benjamin Bond late of Baltimore County Planter otherwise called Benjamin Bond of Baltimore County aforesaid Planter was Summoned to Answer unto Matthew Cowlter of a Plea that he render unto him the full and just Sum of one hundred and Twenty Pounds Sterling Money of England which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c. And the hereupon the same Matthew Cowlter by William Cumming his Attorney saith That whereas the afs. Benjamin Bond on the Twenty eighth Day of May in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and forty at Baltimore County afs. by his Certain Writing Obligatory Acknowledged himself to be held and firmly Bound unto the said Matthew Cowlter in the afs. Sum of One hundred and Twenty Pounds Sterling aforesaid To be paid unto the said Matthew Coulter when afterwards he should be thereunto required Nevertheless the afs. Benjamin Bond altho' often required the afs. Sum of One hundred and Twenty Pounds Sterl. afs. to the same Matthew Cowlter hath not paid but the same to him to pay hath refused and still doth refuse whereupon he says he is the worse and has Loss to the Value of One hundred and thirty Pounds Money afs. and thereof he brings the Suit &c. and he brings hereinto Court the Writing afs. which the Debt afs. in form afs. doth Testify whose date is the day & Year above Written &c.

Pledges &c. Jno Doe
Rich Roe

A Copy of which aforegoing Declaration was made & sent with the Writ in the Plea aforesaid

(At)

At which said third Tuesday of October to wit the 10th Day of the same Month anno Dom. 1749 being the Day of the return of the aforegoing Writ comes the said Benjamin Bond by his Attorney afs. and the Sheriff of Baltimore County to whom the same Writ was directed likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus Endorsed Viz.t

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And the said Benjamin Bond being called upon appears Thereupon at the prayer of the Plaintiff by his Attorney afs. the afs. Benjamin Bond is Adjudged to give Special Bail to the Action afs. Thereupon a certain Thomas Norris of Baltimore County Planter present here in Court in his proper Person undertakes for the said Benjamin Bond that in case the said Matthew Cowlter shall recover Judgment against the said Benjamin Bond in the Plea afs. or that the said Benjamin Bond shall be therein legally Convict that then the said Benjamin Bond shall pay the Condemnation of the Court thereupon or render his Body to the Custody of the Sheriff of Baltimore County in satisfaction thereof or that he the said Thomas Norris will do the same for him

And the said Benjamin Bond by Edward Dorsey his Attorney comes and defends the Force and Injury when &c. and prays a hearing of the Writing Obligatory afs. and it is read unto him he prays also a hearing of the Condition of the same Writing and it is read unto him in these Words following (Viz.t) The Condition of the above Obligation is such That if the above Bound Thomas Bond and Benjamin Bond do jointly or severally well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the afs. Matthew Cowlter his Heirs Certain Attorney Executors Administrators or Assigns the full and just Sum of Sixty Pounds Sterling Money of England at or upon the first day of June which shall be in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and forty three for and in Consideration of which he the said Matthew Cowlter hath this Day Agreed and Sold them Two Parcels of Land as may farther appear by said Cowlters Bond Assigned That then this Obligation to be Void and of none Effect otherwise to be in full force & virtue in Law unto which We have set our hands & Seals Jointly and Severally &c.

Which being read and heard the said Benjamin Bond by his said Attorney prays leave to Imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the Plaintiff also

At which said next Court to wit the 16th Day of May Anno Dom. 1749 come again the said parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attorneys afs. and the said Defendant 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 Plaintiff also

At which said next Court to wit the 17th Day of October Anno Dom. 1749 come again the said parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attorneys afs. 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 Plaintiff also

At which said next Court to wit the 10th Day of April Anno Dom. 1750 comes again as well the said Matthew Coulter by his Attorney afs. as the afs. Benjamin Bond by his Attorney afs. and the said Benjamin Bond by his said Attorney as before defends the Force and Injury when &c. and saith that the afs. Matthew his Action afs. thereof against him to have or maintain ought not because he saith that he the said Benjamin paid to the afs. Matthew the afs. Sixty Pounds Sterling Money of England upon the afs. first day of June which was in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and forty three which he the same Benjamin upon the same day ought to have paid according

(to)