At which said Third Tuesday of May to wit the 18th day of the same month
Anno Domi 1756 being the day of the return of the aforegoing writ the Justices
and Sheriff of Ann Arundel County to whom the same writ was directed
make return thereof to the Court here thus indorsed by the direction of
the within writ appears by the Record hereunto annexed Tot Thomas
Which Record mentioned in the aforegoing return follows in the words & Viz.
In the Records and proceedings of Ann Arundel County Court among st other
things is contained as follows to wit Ann Arundel County ss. At a County
Court of the Right Honorable Frederick absolute Lord and Proprietary
of the Province of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c begun
and held at the City of Annapolis in and for the County aforesaid on the Second Tuesday
of March being the ninth day of the same month and in the fifth year of
his said Lordships Dominion &c Annoque Domi 1756 &c
Were present the Worshipful Jonas Mowat Gent Chief Justice Abel Warfield
Richard Dorsey John Howard Thomas Jennings Humphry Bonne
Henry Hall Gent John James Thursday Johns Henry Howard and
Ephraim Howard Gent Justices John Ridgely Thomas and John Bruce the

1B Stephen Dudley
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2D Edward Magdonnell

} Command was given to the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County that he should take Edward Magdonnell late of Ann Arundel County planter otherwise called Edward Magdonnell of Ann Arundel County if he should be found in his Bailiwick & him safe keep so that he might have his Body before his Lordships Justices of Ann Arundel County Court to be holden at Annapolis the Second Tuesday of August then next to answer unto Stephen Dudley in a plea that he render unto him the sum of fifty seven pounds two shillings and ten pence Sterling money which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c and that thereof he the said Sheriff should summon &c
At which said Second Tuesday of August to wit the 12th day of the same month
Anno Domi 1756 being the day of the return of the aforegoing writ comes the said
Stephen Dudley in his proper person and the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County to
whom the same writ was directed likewise comes and makes return thereof
to the Court here thus indorsed by Cepi ss John Dent Sheriff
And the said Edward Magdonnell being called upon appears thereupon at the
prayer of the Pltff in his proper person the said Edward Magdonnell is agreed
to give special Bail to the Action aforesaid whereupon Caleb Connor of Ann Arundel
County planter present in Court undertakes for the said Edward Magdonnell
that in case Stephen Dudley shall recover Judgment against the said Edward
Magdonnell in the plea aforesaid or that the said Edward Magdonnell shall be
therein legally convicted that then the said Edward Magdonnell shall pay
the condemnation of the Court thereupon or render his body to the custody of
the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County in satisfaction thereof or that he the
(said)

said Caleb Connor will do the same for him, And the said Stephen Dudley in
his proper person declared against the said Edward Magdonnell in this plea
aforesaid as follows to wit Ann Arundel County ss. Edward Magdonnell late of
Ann Arundel County planter otherwise called Edward Magdonnell of Ann Arundel
County was summoned to answer unto Stephen Dudley in a plea that he
render unto him the sum of fifty seven pounds two shillings and ten pence
Sterling money which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c. And whereupon
the said Stephen in his proper person saith that whereas the said Edward
on the fifth day of September in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred
and fifty at Ann Arundel County aforesaid by his certain writing Obligatory acknow-
ledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto him the said Stephen
in the sum of fifty seven pounds two shillings and ten pence Sterling
money to be paid to him the said Stephen when afterwards he should be
thereunto required Nevertheless the said Edward (although often thereunto
required) the said sum of fifty seven pounds two shillings and ten pence
Sterling money to him the said Stephen hath not rendered paid but
the same to him hitherto to render or pay he hath altogether refused
and still doth refuse wherefore he saith he is the worse and hath
damage to the value of thirty pounds Sterling money and therefore he brings suit
and suit and brings hereunto Court the writing Obligatory aforesaid sealed with the
seal of him the said John which the Court here inform of the date whereof
date is the day & year aforesaid Pledges &c John Doe and Richard Roe
And the said Edward by Daniel Dulany his attorney comes & defends the force
& injury when &c and prays an hearing of the writing Obligatory and he hath it
in the following words He prays also an hearing of the Condition of the
same writing Obligatory and he hath it read unto him in the following
words to wit The Condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above
bound John Connor and Edward Magdonnell or either of them do and
shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto him the said Stephen
Dudley his certain attorney executors administrators or assigns the full
and the sum of Twenty eight pounds eleven shillings and five pence
Sterling at or upon the seventh day of this instant September next
ensuing the date hereof with lawful Interest for the same then the
above Obligation to be void else to remain in full force and virtue in law
which being read and heard the said Edward Magdonnell by his attorney
aforesaid prays leave to imparle hereunto until next Court and he hath it granted
the time day is given to the Pltff also At which said next Court to wit
the 11th day of November Anno Domi 1756 come again the said Stephen Dudley
in his proper person and Defendant by his attorney aforesaid and the said
(Defendant)