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in the Year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and at the County aforesaid was indebted unto him the said Isaac and one Thomas Knox now deceased to whom he the said Isaac hath survived in the Sum of one Pound five hundred and forty pounds sixteen shillings and two pence Sterling for divers goods wares and Merchandizes by him the said Isaac and the before mentioned Thomas Knox in his Lifetime and at the Special Instance and request of him the said John before that Time there Sold and Delivered and so being therein indebted the aforesaid John in Consideration thereof afterwards to wit on the Day and Year last aforesaid at the County aforesaid upon himself Assumed and to the said Isaac and the aforesaid Thomas Knox in his Lifetime then and there Faithfully promised that he the said John the aforesaid Sum of Sterling Money to him the said Isaac and the aforesaid Thomas in his Lifetime when afterwards he should be thereunto required would well and truly content and pay And Whereas the aforesaid John Weldon afterwards to wit on the Day and Year last aforesaid at the County aforesaid was indebted unto him the said Isaac and one Thomas Knox now deceased whom the said Isaac hath survived in another Sum of one Thousand five hundred and forty Pounds sixteen shillings and two pence Sterling for the like Sum of Sterling Money by him the said Isaac and the aforesaid Thomas in his Lifetime and at the Special instance and request of him the said John before that time there Laid out Expended and paid and being otherwise indebted the aforesaid John in Consideration thereof afterwards to wit on the Day and Year last aforesaid at the County aforesaid upon himself Assumed and to the said Isaac and the aforesaid Thomas in his Lifetime then and there Faithfully promised that he the said John the aforesaid Sum of Sterling Money last mentioned to him the said Isaac and the aforesaid Thomas in his Lifetime when afterwards he should be thereunto required would well and truly content and pay Nevertheless the aforesaid John his several Promises and Assumptions aforesaid so as aforesaid made not Regarding but minding and fraudulently intending the same Isaac and the aforesaid Thomas in his Lifetime and the said Isaac since the Death of the said Thomas in this behalf craftily and Subtilly to Deceive and defraud the aforesaid Several Sums of Sterling Money or any part thereof to him the said Isaac and Thomas in the Lifetime of the said Thomas or to either of them or to the said Isaac after the Death of the aforesaid Thomas hath not contented or paid (although so to do the aforesaid John in the Lifetime of the said Thomas by the said Isaac and Thomas afterwards to wit on the Day and Year last aforesaid at the County aforesaid and by the said Isaac after the Death of him the said Thomas to wit on the Day of in the Year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and and afterwards at the County aforesaid hath been requested) but the same or any part of either of them to the said Isaac and Thomas in the Lifetime of the said Thomas and to the said Isaac since the Death of the said Thomas to content or pay hath hitherto refused and the same to the same Isaac to pay still doth refuse to the damage of the said Isaac in the Sum of Five hundred pounds Sterling Money aforesaid and therefore it is brought &c. Pledges &c. John Doe and Richard Roe



A Copy of which aforegoing Declaration was made and went with the Writ which issued in the plea aforesaid — At which said second Tuesday of September Anno Dom. 1765 being the day of the return of the aforegoing Writ comes the said Isaac Elton by John Hall his Attorney and the Sheriff of Prince Georges County took on the same Writ was Directed Likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed Vizt. Capi and Copy in Virtue George Scott Sheriff — And the said John Weldon being called upon Appears Thereupon at the Prayer of the Plaintiff by his Attorney aforesaid the said John Weldon is Adjudged to give Special Bail to the Action aforesaid Whereupon a certain Ralph Forster and William Steuart of Anne Arundel County Gentlemen present herein Court in their proper Persons undertake for the said John Weldon that in case the said Isaac Elton shall recover Judgment against the said John Weldon in the plea aforesaid that he the said John Weldon shall be therein Legally convict that then the said John Weldon shall pay the condemnation of the Court thereupon or render his Body into the Custody of the Sheriff of Prince Georges County in Satisfaction thereof or that they the said Ralph Forster and William Steuart will do the same for him

And the said John Weldon by Thomas Johnson Junior his Attorney comes & Defends the Force and injury when and wherefore and prays Leave to imparle hereunto until 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 Domini 1766 come again the said Parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attornies aforesaid And the said Plaintiff by his said Attorney prays that the aforesaid John Weldon may be adjudged to give Security for Costs in case he shall happen to be Nonsuited in the plea aforesaid Thereupon a certain Stephen West of Prince Georges County Gentleman becomes Security for the Payment thereof And the said Defendant prays further Leave to imparle hereunto until 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 September Anno Domini 1766 come again the said parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attornies aforesaid And the said Defendant by his said Attorney prays further Leave to imparle hereunto until next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the Plaintiff also — At which said next Court to wit the 9th Day of April Anno Domini 1765 come again the said parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attornies aforesaid And the said Defendant by his said Attorney prays further Leave to imparle hereunto until 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 September Anno Domini 1765 comes again as well the said Isaac Elton by his Attorney aforesaid as the said John Weldon by his Attorney aforesaid And the said John Weldon by his said Attorney as before defends the Force and injury when and wherefore and saith that he did not Assume upon himself in manner and form as the said Isaac above thereof against him hath complained and of this he puts himself upon the Country and so forth and the Plaintiff in like manner and so forth And the said John by the Leave of the Court here according to the form of the Statute in such Case