Maryland, Talbot County, to wit. At a Court of Appeals holden for the Eastern Shore of the State aforesaid, at Easton, in Talbot County, on the first monday in June, (being the second day of the same month,) in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and seventeen, before the said States Judges, duly authorized and assigned to preside in the same, — of whom were present. —

The Honble: Jeremiah T. Chase Esquire, Chief Judge; John Buchanan, John Johnson, Richard T. Earle, William B. Martin & Walter Dorsey — Esquires, Judges.

James Clayland Esquire, Sheriff. James Parrott Clerk. —

The following proceedings were duly made and entered, that is to say. —

Peregrine Wilmer against Edward Harris — Be it Remembered, that on the first monday of June, in the year Eighteen hundred and fourteen, the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of Queen Anns County Court, in pursuance of the act of assembly, in such case made and provided, transmit to the Court of Appeals here, the record and proceedings of a plea, which was lately depending before them in the said County Court, between Edward Harris, Plaintiff and Peregrine Wilmer Defendant, and wherein the said County Court gave Judgment for the said Peregrine Wilmer against the said Edward Harris, and from which said Judgment the said Edward Harris prayed an Appeal unto the Court of Appeals here, the tenor of which said record and proceedings is in form following, to wit. —

State of Maryland, Queen Anns County to wit. — At a County Court of the State of Maryland begun and held for Queen Anns County, at Centre Ville in said County on the monday Anno Domini, Eighteen hundred and before the Honorable the Judges of Queen Anns County Court, & other Officers duly Commissioned and Qualified to hold the said Court, of whom were present. — The Honorable Richard T. Earle Esqr. Chief Judge, Samuel Purnell & Thomas Worrell Esq^rs. Associate Judges. Wm. P. Ridgaway Esqr. Shff. — John Browne Clk. In the Record of proceedings of the said Court, amongst other things were the following, to wit —

Edward Harris versus Peregrine Wilmer — Dt. $9000.00 nuer & Oyer — rules plea. —

Be it remembered, that heretofore, to wit, on the fourth day of April, in the year of our Lord, Eighteen hundred and twelve the Plaintiff in this Cause, by Walter T. Clayton Esqr. his attorney, prosecuted and sued forth out of the County Court here, the writ of the State of Maryland, of Capias ad respondendum directed to the Sheriff of Queen Anns County afs^d. in the words & of the tenor following, to wit —

Queen Anns County, to wit. — The State of Maryland. To the Sheriff of Queen Anns County Greeting. You are hereby commanded to take Peregrine Wilmer late of Queen Anns County, if he shall be found in your Bailiwick, and him safe keep, so that you have his body before the Judges of the County Court, to be held at Centre Ville, in said County, on the first monday of May next, to answer unto Edward Harris of a plea, that he render unto him the sum of nine thousand Dollars current money, which he owes and unjustly detains &c. Hereof fail not at your peril, & have you then and there this writ. Witness Richard T. Earle, Esqr. Chief Judge of our said Court, the 21st. day of October, Anno Domini 1811. — Issued the 4th. day of April Anno Domini 1812. — (W. T. C.) John Browne Clk. —

(seal of the County Court)

At which said first monday in May next, to wit, in the year of our Lord, eighteen hundred and twelve, being the return day of the foregoing writ, comes into Court here the said Edward Harris by his Attorney aforesaid, and the Sheriff of the County afs^d. to whom the said Writ was, in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here, thereon endorsed, to wit. — Queen Anns County S^t. By virtue of this Writ to me directed, I have taken the within named Peregrine Wilmer whose body I have ready before the Court within named, at the day and place within mentioned, as I am within Commanded. So answers William P. Ridgaway Shff. — And the said Peregrine Wilmer being called, appears in Court here by William Carmichael Esquire, his Attorney; and thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid, between the parties afs^d. by consent of the said parties and their attornies afs^d. and by order of the Court here thereon, is continued until the third monday of October next. — At which said third monday in October, in the year, Eighteen hundred and twelve, being the nineteenth day of said month, comes again into the County Court here, as well the said Edward Harris by his Attorney aforesaid as the said Peregrine Wilmer by his Attorney afs^d. — whereupon the said Edward Harris by his Attorney afs^d. declares against the said Peregrine Wilmer in the plea aforesaid, in form following, to wit