further proceed therein as to Justice appertaines and soforth, and have you then and there this Writ - Witnesse Robert Hanson Harrison Esquire Chief Judge of our said Court the 25th day of May Anno Dominii 1787 - Issued 2d August 1787 - D McMechen, Thos B. Hodgkin Clk -

Whereupon the Proceedings aforesaid are ordered to be transmitted accordingly -

Seal of Baltimore Cty Court

In Testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal of Office this fifth day of September Seventeen hundred and eighty seven -

William Gibson Clk B. Cty.

At which aforementioned second Tuesday of October being the ninth day of the same Month, in the year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, Came into the General Court here, as well the aforesaid Ellen Gist by her Attorney aforesaid, as the said John Elder by David McMechen Richard Ridgely and Luther Martin his attornies; and the said Ellen Gist by her Attorney aforesaid, files in Court here, his Declaration and Oyer of Bond against the said John Elder in manner and form following -

Western Shore of Maryland, Baltimore County to wit - John Elder late of Baltimore County yeoman, otherwise called John Elder of Baltimore County and State of Maryland was summoned to answer unto Ellen Gist of a plea that he render unto her the sum of one hundred pounds Current money of Maryland which to her he ought and unjustly detains soforth - And whereupon the same Ellen Gist by Robert Smith her attorney complains that the aforesaid John Elder on the twenty ninth day of April in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty three at the County aforesaid by his certain writing Obligatory which the said Ellen Gist with the seal of the aforesaid John Elder sealed here into Court doth bring the date whereof is the same day and year aforesaid acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto the aforesaid Ellen Gist in the aforesaid sum of One hundred pounds Current money to be paid to the said Ellen Gist when thereto afterwards he should be required - Nevertheless the aforesaid John Elder (although often required the aforesaid sum of money or any part thereof to the said Ellen Gist yet hath not paid but the same to her to pay altogether hitherto hath refused and still doth refuse to the Damage of the said Ellen Gist Two hundred pounds Current money and therefore she brings suit andsoforth -

Robert Smith for Plff - Pledges &c - John Doe & Rich. Roe -

Know all Men by these Presents, That I John Elder of Baltimore County in the State of Maryland am held and firmly

bound unto Ellen Gist of same County in the sum of one hundred pounds specie Lawful Money of Maryland to be paid to the said Ellen Gist or to her certain attorney, Executors, Administrators or assigns; To which payment well and truly to be made I bind myself my Heirs, Executors and Administrators and every of them firmly by these presents, sealed with my seal, dated the twenty ninth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty three - The foundation of this Obligation is such, That if the above bounden John Elder his Heirs, Executors, Administrators or any of them shall and do well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the above named Ellen Gist or to her certain Attorney, Heirs, Executors, Administrators or assigns the just and full sum of fifty pounds Lawful money aforesaid at or upon the twenty ninth day of April next ensuing the date hereof with lawful Interest for the same without fraud or further delay then the above Obligation to be void or else to be and remain in full force and virtue -

Sealed and Delivered in the presence of Hans Morrison John Nicks

John Elder (Seal)

And thereupon on Motion of the aforesaid Ellen Gist by her Attorney aforesaid, It is ruled by the Court here, that the said John Elder answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid Ellen Gist in the plea aforesaid, or Judgment by the Court here will be entered against him in default thereof; and the said John Elder by his Attorney's aforesaid defends the force and injury when and soforth; and prays leave of the Court here to Imparle until the second Tuesday of May next, and then to answer to the Declaration aforesaid, of the aforesaid Ellen Elder, in the plea aforesaid, and to him it is granted, the same day is given to the said Ellen Gist also -

At which said second Tuesday of May being the thirteenth day of the same Month, in the year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, to which said day, the said John Elder had leave to Imparle, and then to answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid Ellen Gist, in the plea aforesaid, came again into the General Court here as well the said Ellen Gist by her Attorney aforesaid, as the said John Elder by his Attornies aforesaid; And the said John Elder by his Attornies aforesaid (as before) defends the force and injury when and soforth and saith that the aforesaid Ellen Gist her action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought not lye because he saith that he the said John Elder did pay unto the aforesaid Ellen Gist the said sum of money in the condition of the said writing Obligatory mentioned with legal Interest thereon according to the form and effect of the condition of the said writing Obligatory and this he is ready to