seven hundred and eighty seven, Came into the General Court here as well the aforesaid George Burkhart by his Attorney aforesaid, as the said William Begole by his Attorney aforesaid; And the said George Burkhart by his Attorney aforesaid, files in Court here, his Declaration against the said William Begole in the plea aforesaid, in manner and form following, to wit —

State of Maryland, Anne Arundel County, to wit: William Begole late of Anne Arundel County, otherwise called William Begole of Frederick County and Province of Maryland Farmer was summoned to answer unto George Burkhart of a plea that he render unto him the sum of Six hundred pounds Current Money, which to him he owes and unjustly detains and so forth — And whereupon the said George Burkhart by Henry Ridgely his Attorney saith that whereas the aforesaid William Begole on the twenty first day of November in the year Seventeen hundred and seventy eight at Anne Arundel County aforesaid, by his certain writing Obligatory acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto the said George in the aforesaid sum of Six hundred pounds Current Money, to be paid to the said George when afterwards he should be thereunto required: Nevertheless the aforesaid William (although often thereunto required) the aforesaid sum of Six hundred pounds Current Money, to the said George hath not rendered or 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 One thousand pounds Current Money aforesaid and therefore he brings suit, and so forth: and brings here into Court the writing Obligatory aforesaid: Sealed with the seal of the aforesaid William which the debt aforesaid, in form aforesaid, witnesseth, the date whereof is the day and year aforesaid, and so forth —

H. Ridgely for the Plaintiff. Pledges &c. forth. — John Doe Richard Roe

And the aforesaid William by his Attorney comes and defends the force and injury when and so forth, and praying an hearing of the writing Obligatory aforesaid, and the condition thereof, and he hath them, as follow, to wit —

State of Maryland Frederick County ss: Know all men by these presents that I William Begole and Greenbury Spurrier of Frederick County and Province of Maryland Farmers are held and firmly bound unto George Burkhart of the same County and Province aforesaid in the penal sum of Six hundred pounds Current Money at 7/6 per Dollar, to the which payment well and truly to be made to the said George Burkhart his certain Attorney, Heirs, Executors, Administrators or assigns in the whole and for the whole firmly by these presents Sealed with my seal, and dated this twenty fourth day of November Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and Seventy eight — The condition

of the above Obligation is such that if the above bounden William Begole and Greenbury Spurrier their Heirs Executors, Administrators or assigns shall and do well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said George Burkhart his Heirs Executors, Administrators or assigns the full and just sum of Three hundred pounds Current Money as aforesaid to be paid at or upon the Twenty fourth day of November 1784. next ensuing with legal Interest from the date thereof then the above Obligation to be void and of none effect, otherwise to stand and remain in full force and virtue in Law —

Signed, Sealed & Delivered in presence of
Phil. Fowthney
Christ. Burkhart

William Begole (Seal)
Green. Spurrier (Seal)

And thereupon on Motion of the aforesaid George Burkhart by his Attorney aforesaid, It is ruled by the Court here, that the said William Begole answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid George Burkhart in the plea aforesaid, or Judgment by the Court here will be entered against him in default thereof; And the said William Begole by his Attorney aforesaid defends the force and injury when and so forth; and prays leave of the Court here to Imparle until the second Tuesday of October next, and then to answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid George Burkhart in the plea aforesaid, and to him it is granted, the same day is given to the aforesaid George Burkhart also —

At which said second Tuesday of October being the ninth day of the same Month, in the year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, to which said day the said William Begole had leave to Imparle, Come again into the General Court here, as well the aforesaid George Burkhart by his Attorney aforesaid, as the said William Begole by his Attorney aforesaid; and the said William Begole by his Attorney aforesaid (as before) defends the force and injury when and so forth, and prays leave of the Court here to Imparle, until the second Tuesday of May next, and to him it is granted, the same day is given to the aforesaid George Burkhart 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 William Begole had leave to Imparle, and then to answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid George Burkhart in the plea aforesaid, comes again into the General Court here, as well the aforesaid George Burkhart by his Attorney aforesaid, as the said William Begole by his Attorney aforesaid; and the said William Begole by his Attorney aforesaid (as before) defends the force and injury when and so forth, and saith that the aforesaid George Burkhart his action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought not &c — because he saith that he the said William Begole did pay