Two hundred and seven pounds three shillings and four pence Current money with Interest thereon from the fourteenth day of May fourteen hundred and eighty seven, certain damages recovered against them before the Judges of our General Court the second Tuesday of May instant as also the sum of seven hundred and thirty three pounds of Tobacco Costs of Suit together with such Costs as to the said William Shaw, Thomas B. Usher and James M'Gullough shall accrue upon this our writ of attachment and that by good and lawful men of your bailiwick you make known unto the person or persons in whose hands you make the same attachment, that he she or they appear before the Judges of our General Court at the day and place aforesaid, to shew cause if any he she or they have why the said Goods Chattels, Lands and Tenements so attached shall not be condemned in his her or their hands and Execution thereof had and made according to the act of Assembly in that case made and provided for and towards Satisfaction of the damages and Costs above specified and how you shall Execute this writ, that you make known unto our Judges of our said Court at the day and place aforesaid and have you then and there this writ witnesse Robert Hanson Harrison Esquire Chief Judge of our said Court the 8th day of May Anno Domini 1787 &c

Issued the 17th May 1787 — (R Smith) Thos B. Hodgkin Clk &c

At which Mentioned 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, and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ, comes into the General Court here, the aforesaid Plaintiffs by their Attorney aforesaid; and the Sheriff of Baltimore County aforesaid, to wit, Philip Gray bell, Gentleman, to whom the said aforegoing writ, was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof, to the Court here thus endorsed, to wit &c

Said in the hands of William M'Creery the 18th day of May — Said in the hands of Andrew Cranford 18 May &c

Philip Gray bell Sheriff — And the said William M'Creery & Andrew Cranford Garnishee as aforesaid by Richard Johnson their attorney appear in Court here &c And thereupon on motion of the aforesaid Plaintiffs by their attorney aforesaid, It is ruled by the Court here, that the said William M'Creery and Andrew Cranford answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid Plaintiffs in the plea aforesaid, or Judgment by the Court here will be entered against them in default thereof; and the said Defendants by their Attorney aforesaid, defend the force and injury when and &c forth; and pray 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 Plaintiffs in the plea aforesaid, and to them it is granted, the same day is given to the aforesaid Plaintiffs also &c

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 Defendants had leave to Imparle,

and then to answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid Plaintiffs in the plea aforesaid, come again into the General Court here, as well the aforesaid Plaintiffs by their Attorney aforesaid, as the said Defendants by their Attorney aforesaid; — and the aforesaid William M'Creery and Andrew Cranford by their attorney say that the aforesaid Plaintiffs condemnation in the hands of them the said William M'Creery and Andrew Cranford of the effects of the said Samuel Purviance and Robert Purviance ought not to have because they say that at the time of laying the said attachment in the hands of the said William M'Creery and Andrew Cranford they had not nor at any time since have had nor now have any of the Goods and chattels of them the said Samuel Purviance and Robert Purviance in their hands and this they are ready to verify — Wherefore they pray Judgment whether the said Plaintiffs condemnation aforesaid in the hands of them the said William M'Creery and Andrew Cranford to have ought and so forth &c —

And the said Plaintiffs say that they by any thing alleged from having condemnation of the Goods and Chattels of the said Samuel Purviance and Robert Purviance in the hands of the said William M'Creery and Andrew Cranford they ought not to be precluded, because they say that the said William M'Cery and Andrew Cranford the day of making the same attachment in their hands had to the value of the sums of Two hundred and seven pounds three shillings and four pence Current money with Interest from the fourteenth day of May Seventeen hundred and eighty seven certain damages and ten thousand pounds of Tobacco &c in the writ of attachment aforesaid specified of the Goods, Chattels and effects of the said Samuel Purviance and Robert Purviance in their hands to wit, at Baltimore County aforesaid, and this they pray may be enquired of by the County and the aforesaid William M'Creery and Andrew Cranford in like manner and so forth &c

Wherefore let a Jury thereon appear before the Court here, on the second Tuesday of October next, by whom and so forth, and who neither and so forth, to recognize and so forth, because as well and so forth, the same day is given to the said parties then and there and so forth &c

And now here at this day, to wit, the said second Tuesday of October being the fourteenth day of the same Month in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, come again into the General Court here, as well the aforesaid Plaintiffs by their attorney aforesaid, as the said Defendants by their Attorney aforesaid — Nevertheless the said William M'Creery and Andrew Cranford Garnishee aforesaid by their attorney aforesaid relinquishing the answer aforesaid above by them pretended say that they cannot deny but that they have in hands and possession of the Goods and Chattels of the said Samuel Purviance and Robert Purviance to the amount of five hundred pounds Current money of Maryland no more — Whereupon the said Plaintiffs