And the aforesaid Edward by Richard Potts his attorney comes and defends the force and injury when and so forth and prays an hearing of the writing obligatory aforesaid and the condition thereof and he hath them as follows to wit,

Know all Men by these presents that we Edward Stevenson of Frederick County and State of Maryland and Ludwick Little of York County and State of Pennsylvania are held and firmly bound unto Frederick Little of the County York and State of Pennsylvania in the full and just sum of one hundred and forty pounds in Gold or Silver currency of Pennsylvania at the usual Value and weight to be paid to the said Frederick Little, or to his certain Attorney executors administrators or assigns, to which payment well and truly to be made and done we bind ourselves jointly and severally our heirs executors and administrators and every of them firmly by these presents sealed with our seals dated the twelfth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty five

The Condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bounden Edward Stevenson and Ludwick Little or either of them their heirs executors administrators or any of them, shall and do well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the above mentioned Frederick Little or to his certain Attorney executors administrators or assigns, the full and just sum of seventy pounds in Gold or Silver currency of Pennsylvania at the usual Value and weight with lawfull interest from the date on or before the eleventh day of April next ensuing without any fraud or delay, then this obligation to be void and of none effect or else to remain in full force and Virtue in law.

Edw. Stevenson (Seal)
Ludwick Little (Seal)

Sealed and Delivered in the presence of
R Wm Ilhinny, Peter Little

And the said Edward Stevenson by his Attorney aforesaid defends the force and injury when and so forth and prays leave of the Court here 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 second tuesday of October being the fourteenth day of the same month Anno Domini seventeen hundred and eighty eight, comes here again into our General Court as well the said Frederick Little by his Attorney aforesaid as the said Edward Stevenson by his Attorney aforesaid

And the said Edward Stevenson by his Attorney aforesaid as before defends the force and injury when and so forth, and saith that the said Frederick Little his action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought not to because he saith that he the said Edward Stevenson did pay unto the said Frederick Little 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 verify wherefore he prays Judgment if the said Frederick Little his Action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought &c.

And the said Frederick Little saith that he by any thing by the said Edward Stevenson above in pleading alledged from having or maintaining his Action aforesaid against him ought not to be precluded because he saith that the aforesaid Edward Stevenson hath not paid unto him the said Frederick Little the sum of money

money in the Condition aforesaid mentioned with the interest thereon in such manner and form as the said Edward Stevenson above by pleading hath alledged, and of this he prays may be enquired of by the Country and the said Edward Stevenson in like manner and so forth.

Therefore let a Jury thereupon appear before the Judges of our General Court here on the second tuesday of May next, by whom &c. and who neither &c. to recognize &c. because as well &c. the same day is given to the parties aforesaid, then and there &c.

And now here at this day to wit the said second tuesday of May being the twelfth day of the same month Anno Domini seventeen hundred and eighty nine comes again here into our General Court as well the said Frederick Little by his Attorney aforesaid as the said Edward Stevenson by his Attorney aforesaid.

Nevertheless the said Edward Stevenson by his Attorney aforesaid relinquishing the averment above by him pretended says that he cannot deny the Action aforesaid of the said Frederick Little so as aforesaid against him brought nor but that he owes to the said Frederick Little the said sum of one hundred and forty pounds current money in manner and form aforesaid so as the said Frederick Little above against him hath declared.

Therefore it is considered by the Judges here that the said Frederick Little recover against the said Edward Stevenson as well the sum of one hundred and forty pounds current money his debt aforesaid in form aforesaid confessed as also the quantity of eight hundred and forty five pounds and two fifths of a pound of Tobacco by the Court here unto the said Frederick Little on his agreement adjudged as well for his damages sustained by reason of the detention of that debt as for his costs and charges by him about his suit in this behalf laid out and expended, and the said Defendant in Mercy &c.

Memorandum, Judgment was rendered in this cause on the fifteenth day of May Anno Domini seventeen hundred and eighty nine for penalty and costs of suit, To be released on the payment of the Principal Interest and Costs, and the Plaintiff agrees to stay execution until the first day of August next Payment if any to be allowed,

Test John Gwinn Clk.

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James Gordon and others against Gerrard Truman Greenfield

Be it remembered that heretofore to wit on the fourth day of March Anno Domini seventeen hundred and eighty eight, The Plaintiffs by Richard Potts their Attorney sued out of our General Court here the State of Maryland a writ of Capias Ad respondendum directed to the Sheriff of Prince Georges County in the words and figures following to wit

The State of Maryland &c. To the Sheriff of Prince Georges County Greeting We command you that you take Gerrard Truman Greenfield late of Prince Georges County Planter otherwise called Gerrard Truman Greenfield of Prince Georges County Planter if he shall be found in your Bailiwick, and him safe keep, so that you have his body before the Judges of our General Court, to be held at the City of Annapolis on the second tuesday of May next, to answer unto James Gordon, Henry Riddell, John Campbell senior John Campbell Junior, Alexander Low, and William Ingram in a plea that he render unto them the sum of two hundred and eighty eight pounds seventeen shillings and ten pence current money which to them he owes and from them unjustly detains and so forth,

Sheriff