John Perot of the said city merchants exhibited the original Bill of Exchange, whereof the above is a true copy unto Mr. Wm. Whiteside of the said City merchant, on whom the same is drawn and demanded acceptance of the same, he answered, he would not accept the said Bill Wherefore I the said Notary at the request aforesaid did and do hereby protest against the drawer of the said Bill, and all others concerned for all exchange rexchange costs damages and interest suffered and to be suffered for want of acceptance thereof, Thus done and protested at Philadelphia aforesaid the day and year abovesaid

In Testimonium Veritatis

(Seal)

Asheton Humphreys, Not. Pub.

22d. May 1789. Uriah Forrest made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, that he hath received no part or parcel of the sum mentioned in the within Bill of Exchange nor hath any part thereof been received by his partners William Murdoch and Benjamin Stoddert or either of them or by any other person for their or his use to the best of his knowledge & belief sworn this 22d. May 1789 before me one of the Judges of the General Court.

R. Goldsborough.—

Whereupon the said Uriah Forrest, Benjamin Stoddert, and William Murdoch in their proper persons aforesaid pray that, for as much, as they have complied with the law, in order for an attachment, they may have Judgment against the said Peter Whitesides for their damages by occasion of the premises aforesaid, by way of Attachment according to act of Assembly &c. &c. Therefore for that it appears to the Court here, that the said Uriah Forrest, Benjamin Stoddert and William Murdoch have complied with the law as alledged, they having made sufficient proof of their damages to the Court here.— Therefore it is considered by the Court here, that the said Uriah Forrest, Benjamin Stoddert and William Murdoch recover against the said Peter Whitesides as well the sum of one thousand six hundred and sixty six pound eighteen shillings currentmoney their damages aforesaid, as also all costs and charges by the said Uriah Forrest, Benjamin Stoddert and William Murdoch laid out and expended, about his suit, by way of Attachment against the goods and chattels, rights and credits, lands and tenements of the said Peter Whitesides according to the directions of the act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

Memorandum, Judgment was rendered in this cause on the twenty second day of May Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine

Test. John Irvinn Clk.

Uriah Forrest and Benjamin Stoddert. against William Wilkinson.

Be it remembered, that heretofore to wit on the twenty seventh day of August Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, Uriah Forrest, and Benjamin Stoddert by Richard Potts their attorney sued out of our General Court, the State of Maryland's writ of Capias ad respondendum, directed to the sheriff of Charles county in the words and figures following to wit,

The State of Maryland &c. To the sheriff of Charles county Greeting, we command you that you take William Wilkinson late of Charles County planter, Otherwise called William

William Wilkinson of Charles county, State of Maryland, 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 in October next, to answer unto Uriah Forrest and Benjamin Stoddert of a plea that he render unto them the sum of one hundred and fifty four pounds seven shillings and three pence specie curr.y of the value of one hundred and fifty four pounds seven shillings and three pence current money, which from them he unjustly detains and so forth. Hereof fail not at your peril, and have you then and there this writ. Witness Robert Hanson Harrison Esquire, chief Judge of our said Court, the 12th day of June Anno Dom. 1788. Issued the 27th day of August 1788. (R Potts) John Irvinn Clk.

And the said Uriah Forrest and Benjamin Stoddert by their attorney aforesaid, declare against the said William Wilkinson in the plea aforesaid as follows to wit.

Western Shore State of Maryland, Charles County to wit, William Wilkinson late of Charles County planter, otherwise called William Wilkinson of Charles County State of Maryland was summoned to answer unto Uriah Forrest and Benjamin Stoddert of a plea that he render unto them the sum of one hundred and fifty four pounds seven shillings and three pence specie curr.y of the value of one hundred and fifty four pounds seven shillings and three pence current money which from them he unjustly detains and so forth.— And whereupon the said Uriah Forrest and Benjamin Stoddert by Richard Potts their attorney say that whereas the aforesaid William Wilkinson on the twentieth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, at Charles County aforesaid, by his certain Bill obligatory in writing dated on the day and year aforesaid, and to the Court here shewn, did acknowledge himself to owe and be indebted unto the said Uriah Forrest and Benjamin Stoddert by the names of Messrs. Forrest & Stoddert of George town and State aforesaid in the sum of one hundred and fifty four pounds seven shillings & three pence specie curr.y which sum he the said William Wilkinson promised to pay or cause to be paid unto the said Uriah Forrest & Benjamin Stoddert by the names of Messrs. Forrest & Stoddert their heirs executors administrators or assigns on or before the twentieth day of August next ensuing the date of the said Bill with legal interest, And the said Uriah Forrest and Benjamin Stoddert in fact aver that the aforesaid sum of one hundred and fifty four pounds seven shillings & three pence specie curr.y was at the time of making and signing the writing obligatory aforesaid, always since hath been and now is of the value of one hundred and fifty four pounds seven shillings and three pence current money to wit at Charles county aforesaid, Nevertheless the aforesaid William Wilkinson the said sum of one hundred and fifty four pounds seven shillings & three pence specie curr.y or the value thereof as aforesaid or any part thereof or of the value thereof, to them the said Uriah Forrest and Benjamin Stoddert or either of them hath not contented or paid (altho so to do the said William Wilkinson on the twenty first day of August in the year seventeen hundred and eighty eight, and often afterwards at Charles county aforesaid, by the said Uriah Forrest and Benjamin Stoddert was requested) but the same or any part thereof to them to pay hath hitherto altogether refused and still doth refuse to the damage of them the said Uriah Forrest and Benjamin Stoddert in three hundred pounds current money and therefore they bring suit and so forth. Pledges and so forth. { John Doe and Richard Roe

Richard Potts for the Plaintiffs

Oyer of the Bill obligatory in the Declaration aforesaid mentioned follows in these words to wit.

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