archibald in his lifetime then and there faithfully promised to pay to the said Archibald the said Eight hundred and forty eight pounds fifteen Shillings and two pence Current money when he should afterward be thereunto required. Nevertheless the said William Neill in his lifetime and the said Hercules Courtenay, Joseph Donaldson, Isabella Neill and Thomas Neill since the death of the said William Neill not regarding the promises and undertakings aforesaid of the said William Neill in his lifetime made as aforesaid but contriving and fraudulently intending to deceive and defraud the said Archibald Buchanan in his lifetime and the said Sarah Buchanan after the death of the said Archibald the aforesaid several sums of money or any part thereof either to the said Archibald in his lifetime or to the said Sarah after the death of the said Archibald have not paid nor hath either of them paid nor any manner satisfied the same (although so to do the said William Neill in his lifetime afterwards and the lifetime of the said Archibald towit the day and year aforesaid at Baltimore County aforesaid by the said Archibald was required, and although also so to do the said William Neill in his lifetime afterwards after the death of the said Archibald towit on the first day of January in the year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and Eighty six at Baltimore County aforesaid by the said Sarah was requested, and although so to do the said Hercules Courtenay, Joseph Donaldson Isabella and Thomas Neill after the death of the said William Neill and Archibald Buchanan towit on the first day of February in the year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and Eighty six and often afterwards at Baltimore County aforesaid by the said Sarah were requested whereby the said Sarah says she is injured and hath Damage to the value of two Thousand pounds current money of Maryland and therefore she brings suit and so forth. and the said Sarah brings hereinto Court the letters testamentary of the said Archibald Buchanan whereby it sufficiently appears to the Court here that the said Sarah is Executrix of the said Will of the said Archibald Buchanan and thereof hath the administration and so forth.

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Richard Potts for the plaintiff pledges and so forth.

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And Thereupon on motion of the said Plaintiff by her attorneys aforesaid It is ruled by the Court here that the said Defendants answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the said Plaintiff in the plea aforesaid or Judgment by the Court here will be rendered against them in default hereof. and the said Defendants by their attorney aforesaid defend 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 said Plaintiff in the plea aforesaid and to then it is granted the same day is given to the Plaintiff also.

At which 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 into the General Court here as well the said Plaintiff by her attornies aforesaid, as the said Defendants by their attorney aforesaid. And Hercules, Joseph, Isabella & Thomas by their attorney aforesaid Come and defend the force and injury when &c and say that the said Sarah her action against them ought not to have or maintain because they say that the said William and did not assume & take upon himself in manner & form as the said Sarah against them hath alleged and this they are ready to verify to verify wherefore they pray Judgment if the said Sarah her action against them to have ought &c. and the said Hercules Joseph Isabella and Thomas by leave of the Court and according to the form of the Statute in such Case Made & provided further Come & defend the force & injury when &c. & say that the said Sarah her action against them ought not to have or maintain because they say that they have fully administered on all and singular the Goods & Chattels which were of the said William at the time of his Death in their hands to be administered upon nor had they at the time of suing the Original Writ of the said Sarah against or at any time since any of the Goods or Chattels of the said William & this they are ready to verify wherefore they pray Judgment if the said Sarah her action against them to have or maintain ought &c.

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