when afterwards they the said Richard, Josias William and Aquila Paca should be thereunto required and the said Charles Joshua and John in fact say that the said sum of two thousand four hundred and sixty two pounds thirteen shillings and sixpence Sterling at the time of making the Writing Obligatory aforesaid was always since hath been and still is of the value of four thousand one hundred and four pounds nine shillings and two pence current Money towit at Harford County aforesaid Nevertheless the said Richard, Josias William and Aquila in the life time of the said Aquila whom the said Richard and Josias William have survived and the said Richard and Josias William since the death of the said Aquila although often thereunto required the said sum of Sterling Money or the value thereof as aforesaid to them the said Charles Joshua and John or to either of them have not nor hath either of them contended or paid but the said sum of two thousand four hundred and sixty two pounds thirteen shillings and six pence Sterling Money or the value thereof to them the said Charles Joshua and John to content or pay the said Richard, Josias William and Aquila in the life time of the said Aquila have altogether refused and the said Richard and Josias William since the death of the said Aquila have altogether refused and the said Richard and Josias William since the Death of the said Aquila still do refuse wherefore the said Charles Joshua and John say they are the worse and have damage to the damage of five thousand pounds current Money wherefore they bring suit and so forth and bring here into Court the Writing Obligatory aforesaid sealed with the Seal of the aforesaid Richard and Josias William which the Debt aforesaid in form aforesaid Witnesseth the date whereof is they and year aforesaid and so forth.

John Doe and
Richard Roe

Thos Jennings for plfs. pledges &c.

Oyer of the Writing Obligatory aforesaid and of the Condition thereof follow

Know all Men by these presents that we Richard Dallam, Josias William Dallam and Aquila Paca of Harford County Gentlemen are held and firmly bound unto Charles Wallace Joshua Johnson and John Muir of Annapolis Merchants in the full and just sum of two thousand four hundred and sixty two pounds thirteen shillings and six pence Sterling Money of Great Britain to be paid to the said Charles Wallace Joshua Johnson and John Muir or to their certain Attorney Executors Administrators or assigns, to which payment well and truly to be made and done we bind ourselves our heirs Executors and Administrators firmly by these presents sealed with our Seals and dated this seventh day of February in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and eighty seven.

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The condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bound Richard Dallam Josias William Dallam and Aquilla Paca their heirs Executors Administrators or any of them shall and do well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the above mentioned Charles Wallace Joshua Johnson and John Muir their certain Attorney Executors Administrators or Assigns the full and just sum of Twelve hundred and thirty one pounds six shillings and nine pence Sterling Money in Bills of Exchange on London or in specie at the current price of exchange on or before the first day of August One thousand seven hundred and eighty eight with legal Interest for the same from the day of the date hereof 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.

Richd Dallam (Seal)
Jos. Wm Dallam (Seal)
A^q Paca (Seal)

Sealed and delivered in the presence of }
Robt Johnson

A copy of which aforegoing declaration and Oyer was made and sent with the Writ which issued in the plea aforesaid.

At which said second Tuesday of October being the fourteenth day of the same Month Anno Domini seventeen hundred and eighty eight and the day of the return of the aforegoing Writ come the aforesaid Charles Wallace Joshua Johnson and John Muir by their Attorney aforesaid and the Sheriff of Harford County to whom the same Writ was made and directed likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed towit

Cepi. in time

R. Amoss Sheriff

And the said Richard Dallam and Josias William Dallam being called upon appear and at the prayer of the said Charles Wallace Joshua Johnson and John Muir by their Attorney aforesaid, the said Richard Dallam and Josias William Dallam are adjudged to give special Bail to the Action aforesaid. Whereupon a certain James Philips of Harford County Gentleman present here in Court in his proper person undertakes for the said Richard Dallam and Josias William Dallam that in case the said Charles Wallace, Joshua Johnson and John Muir shall recover Judgment against the said Richard Dallam and Josias William Dallam in the plea aforesaid or that the said Richard Dallam and Josias William Dallam shall be therein legally convict that then the said Richard Dallam and Josias William Dallam shall pay the condemnation of the Court thereupon or render their Bodies to the Custody of the Sheriff of Harford County in satisfaction thereof or that he the said James Philips will do the same for them —

And the said Richard Dallam and Josias William Dallam by Aquilla Hall their Attorney defend the force and injury when and so forth and prays leave to imparle hereunto until next Court and they have it the same day is given to the plaintiffs also —

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