two Hundred and twenty pounds specie to be paid to the said Alexander Cowen when afterwards he should be thereunto required, and the aforesaid Alexander in fact avers that the aforesaid sum of two Hundred and twenty pounds specie was at the time of making the writing obligatory aforesaid always hitherto hath been and now is of the value of two Hundred and twenty pounds current money aforesaid The said Alexander Cowen afterwards towit on the twenty first day of April seventeen hundred and eighty seven at Harford County aforesaid that the principal and Interest mentioned in the writing obligatory was just and true and owing and that no part of the principal or interest had been paid or satisfied by a certain writing upon the said writing obligatory made with his hand thereto subscribed and with the seal of the said Alexander sealed bearing date the day and year last aforesaid according to the form of the Act of Assembly aforesaid, the said writing obligatory and the aforesaid sum of two hundred and twenty pounds Current money aforesaid to the said Clement Brooke did assign whereof the said Charles Baker on the day and year last aforesaid at the County aforesaid had notice by virtue whereof and also by form of the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided action hath accrued unto him the said Clement Brooke to demand and have of him the said Charles Baker the aforesaid sum of two Hundred and twenty pounds Current money aforesaid. Nevertheless the said Charles Baker altho often thereunto required towit on the twenty second day of April seventeen Hundred and eighty seven at the County aforesaid and often afterwards the aforesaid sum of two Hundred and twenty pounds specie or the value thereof or any part of the value thereof in current money aforesaid to the said Clement Brooke hath not rendered or paid but the same to render or pay to the said Clement Brooke the said Charles hath hitherto wholly refused and still doth refuse to the damage of the said Clement Brooke in the sum of five hundred pounds Current money of Maryland and therefore he brings his suit and soforth. and brings here into Court as well the said writing obligatory af.d sealed with the seal of the said Charles whose date is the day and year aforesaid: As also the oath and assignment aforesaid which the Debt oath and assignment aforesaid in manner and form aforesaid testify andsoforth.

Aquila Hall Gent. Atty. Pledges to prosecute. John Doe and Richard Roe

Oyer of the writing Obligatory oath and assignment.

Know,

Know all men by these presents that we Charles Baker, Jasil Hitchcock Junior both of Harford County and State of Maryland farmers are held and firmly bound unto Alexander Cowen merchant of the County and State aforesaid in the full and just sum of Two Hundred and twenty pounds specie to be paid to the said Alexander Cowen or his 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 and each of them firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated the twenty fifth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven Hundred and eighty seven — 1787. Harford County ss. on the 21st. day of April 1787 Came Alexander Cowen Before me the Subscriber one of the Justices of the Peace for the said County and made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the money specified in the within bond is justly due to him that the within named Charles Baker and Jasil Hitchcock nor no person for them hath paid this deponent any part or parcel of the within Bond nor any of the Interest due thereon, Sworn before. James Ell Comal.

I do hereby assign over all my right title claim and Interest to the within bond to Mr. Clement Brooke his Heirs and Assigns being for value of him received, as witness my hand and seal this 21st. day of April 1789.

Witness Henry Ho. Carroll. Alexander Cowan (Seal)

A copy of which said Declaration and bond was made and sent with the said writ to the Sheriff of the County aforesaid thereon endorsed to be served on the Defendant with the writ or left at his last place of abode twenty days at least before the return of the said writ, for plea or Judgment the first Court at which mentioned second tuesday of May being the twelfth day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine, and the return day of the aforegoing writ comes into the General Court here the said Clement Brooke assignee aforesaid by his Attorney aforesaid and the Sheriff of Harford County aforesaid towit William Osborne Gentleman to whom the said aforegoing writ was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed towit.

Cepi, William Osborn Sheriff

And the said Charles Baker being called appears in Court here by William Pinkney his Attorney and thereupon on motion of the said Clement Brooke assignee as aforesaid by his Attorney aforesaid, It is ruled by the Court here that the said Charles Baker give special bail in the plea aforesaid; Whereupon

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