And the aforesaid Townshend Eden by Michael Senior Stone his attorney comes and defends the force and injury when and so forth and prays an hearing of the writing obligatory aſ^d and the condition thereof and he hath them as follows, to wit;

Know all men by these presents that I John Eden of St. Marys County am held and firmly bound unto Saml Maddox of the same County in the full and just sum of One thousand pounds Sterling Money of Great Britain to be paid to the said Maddox his certain attorney, Executors, administrators or assigns to the which payment well and truly to be made and done - I bind myself my heirs Executors and administrators firmly by these presents sealed with my seal and dated this 18th Eighteenth day of April 1775. The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound John Eden or his heirs Ex^rs or administrators shall well and truly satisfy and pay to the said Samuel Maddox his Executors administrators or assigns the the sum of five hundred pounds (or good Bills of Exchange) Sterling Money of Great Britain upon the said Maddox his fulfilling an agreement this day entered into wth the said Eden for the quieting the possession of the said Eden his heirs or assigns in the Lands for which a Suit is now brought then the above obligation to be void else to remain in full force and virtue in Law.

Signed Sealed and delivered in presence of William Thomas
James Eden

Jno Eden (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Bond was the following Endorsement.

On the 16th day of February 1776 came Samuel Maddox before me the Subscriber one of his Lordship Justices of the peace for Saint Marys County and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of almighty God that the within Bond is just and true and that he hath not directly or indirectly received any part or parcel thereof nor any manner of security or satisfaction for the same.

Sworn before, Jeremiah Jordan.

And whereupon the said Samuel Maddox by his said attorney appears and the said Townshend Eden by his attorney aforesaid comes and defends the force and injury when and so forth and prays liberty hereof to imparl untill the next County Court to be held at Leonard Town for the

the County aforesaid on the monday before the fourth Tuesday in march then next and he hath it and the same day is given to the Plaintiff now here also.

On which said monday before the fourth Tuesday in March came again the parties plaintiff & Defendant by their attornies aforesaid and the said Defendant by his said attorney prays yet further liberty hereof to imparl untill the next County Court to be held at Leonard Town for the County aforesaid on the monday before the first Tuesday in June then next and he hath it and the same day is given to the Plaintiff now here also.

On which said monday before the first Tuesday in June come again the parties plaintiff & Defendant by their attornies aforesaid and the said Defendant by his said attorney prays yet further liberty hereof to imparl untill the monday before the first Tuesday in September being the next County Court to be held at Leonard Town for the County aforesaid and he hath it and the same day is given to the Plaintiff now here also.

On which said monday before the first Tuesday in September come again the parties Plaintiff & Defendant by their attornies aforesaid and the said Defendant by his said attorney prays yet further liberty hereof to imparl untill the next County Court to be held at Leonard Town for the County aforesaid on the monday before the fourth Tuesday in march then next and he hath it and the same day is given to the Plaintiff now here also.

On which said monday before the fourth Tuesday in March come again the parties plaintiff and Defendant by their attornies aforesaid and the said Defendant by his said attorney prays yet further liberty hereof to imparl untill the next County Court to be held at Leonard Town for the County aforesaid on the monday before the first Tuesday in June then next and he hath it and the same day is given to the Plaintiff now here also.

On which said monday before the first Tuesday in June come again the parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their attornies aforesaid & the said Defendant by his said attorney prays yet further liberty hereof to imparl until the next County Court to be held at Leonard Town for the County aforesaid on the monday before the first Tuesday in September then next

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