Obligation to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue in Law.

Know all men by these presents that we William Goodwin and Charles Wells both of Baltimore County are held and firmly bound unto Thomas Bladen Esquire in the full and just sum of one hundred and six pounds nine shillings and six pence Sterling, to be paid to the said Thomas Bladen 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 jointly and severally firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals and dated this first day of April Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy five.

The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound William Goodwin do and shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said Thomas Bladen his certain attorney, executors administrators or assigns the just and full sum of fifty three pounds four shillings and nine pence sterling, at or upon the first day of July Seventeen hundred and seventy six with legal interest thereon without fraud or further delay then the above obligation to be void else to remain in full force and virtue in Law.

It is agreed that on the twenty fifth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty one the said sums mentioned in the conditions of the said Bonds with interest thereon amounted to the sum of

Sterling money and that on the said day and year last mentioned the said William Goodwin before Peter Shepheard Esquire one of the Justices of the peace for Baltimore County duly made the following oath

Baltimore County 25th June 1781. Came William Goodwin before me the subscriber one of the Justices of the peace for said County and made oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he hath received for debts due him before the first day of September 1776. the sum of thirteen hundred and ninety eight pounds nine shillings and seven pence and that he hath not paid for debts due from him before the first of September 1776. above the sum of nine hundred and twenty nine pounds fifteen shillings and four pence to the best of his knowledge

Sworn to

before

Peter Shepherd

Which

Which oath the said William Goodwin Lodged with Thomas Harwood Esquire Treasurer of the Western shore of Maryland the sum of Eleven pounds fourteen shillings and four pence in the new Bills of Credit mentioned in an act entitled an act for calling out of Circulation the quota of this State of the Bills of Credit issued by Congress and the bills of Credit emitted by acts of Assembly under the old Government and by the resolves of convention in discharge of the money mentioned in the Condition of the said Bonds and the interest due and unpaid thereon, which said new bills were of the kind made payable by the said act at the rate of one for forty in discharge of the said bond according to its value in Current money.

It is further agreed that the aforesaid William Goodwin lodged the aforesaid sum of money in the said new Bills on account of the said debt due on the said Bonds and in payment and discharge thereof and on the same day and year took and received from the same Thomas Harwood the following receipt for the same

£11. 14. 4. in lieu of £468. 14. 3. Number 53

The State of Maryland acknowledges the receipt of eleven pounds fourteen shillings and three pence in lieu of four hundred and sixty eight pounds fourteen shillings and three pence Curry. from William Goodwin on account of Thomas Bladen agreable to an act entitled an act for calling out of Circulation the quota of this state of the bills of credit issued by Congress and the bills of Credit emitted by acts of Assembly under the old government and by the resolves of Convention made and passed at a session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis on the 17th of October 1780. Given at Annapolis the 25th day of June 1781.

Thos Harwood Treasurer W.S.

It is further agreed that the said Thomas Bladen at the time of executing the said Bonds was a British subject residing in Great Britain and so continued ever since until his death which happened after the said twenty fifth day of June in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty one and before the commencement of this suit and that the said Thomas Bladen never did become a subject of this state or of any of the United States nor had he an attorney in fact acknowledging himself as such for the purpose of receiving debts always from the first day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Seventy six until the passing the act aforesaid and constantly residing in the State from the said first day of September in the year one thousand

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