Cause to be paid unto the said Thomas Bladen his certain attorney Executors administrators or assigns the just and full sum of ninety seven pounds nineteen shillings and five pence half penny Sterling at or upon the first day of July next with Interest thereon from the first day of April without fraud or further delay then the above obligation to be void else to remain in full force and virtue in law.

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of — Wm. Goodwin, James Walsh } William Headington (seal), Charles Ridgely (seal)

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 ninth day of the same month Anno Domini Seventeen hundred and Eighty seven and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ comes into our General Court the aforesaid Daniel Dulany administrator aforesaid by William Cooke and Thomas Jennings his attornies aforesaid and the sheriff of Baltimore County to whom the same writ was made and directed likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit.

Cepi Copy left 11th September. Philip Graybill Shff.

And the said Charles Ridgely being called upon appears and at the prayer of the aforesaid Daniel Dulany administrator aforesaid by his attornies aforesaid the said Charles Ridgely is adjudged to give Special Bail to the Action aforesaid. Whereupon the said Charles Ridgely By Samuel Chase his attorney files in Court here the following bail piece to wit.

You Robt. Dunn and Larkin Dorsey Jointly and Severally acknowledge yourselves special Bail for Charles Ridgely at the suit of Daniel Dulany administrator of Thomas Bladen in an action of debt brought by the said Daniel Dulany administrator of Thomas Bladen against the said Charles Ridgely in the General Court for the Western shore to be held at the City of Annapolis the second Tuesday in October Instant. They acknowledge themselves Content therewith this sixth day of October seventeen hundred and Eighty Seven.

Acknowledged before — Thos. Russell, Lyde Goodwin.

I Charles Ridgely impower authorise and appoint Saml. Chase Esq. to appear for me in the above action Given under my hand and seal this sixth day of October 1787.

Witnes. Thos. Russell — Charles Ridgely (seal)

And the said Charles Ridgely by Samuel Chase his attorney aforesaid defends the force and injury when and Joforth and prays leave of the Court here to imparle hereunto until next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the Plaintiff also.

At which said next court to wit the thirteenth day of May Anno domini Seventeen hundred and Eighty eight comes again as well the aforesaid Daniel Dulany administrator aforesaid by his attornies aforesaid as the aforesaid Charles Ridgely by his attorney aforesaid.

And the said Charles Ridgely by Richard Ridgely his attorney as before comes and defends the force and injury when &c and craves oyer of the writing obligatory aforesaid and the Condition thereof and it is read to him which being read and heard the said Charles Ridgely says that the said Daniel Dulany his action thereupon against him to have or maintain ought not because he saith that on the first day of July in the said condition mentioned he paid to the said Thomas Bladen in his life time the sum of money specified in the said condition which according to the form and Effect thereof he ought to have paid on that day and this he is ready to verify wherefore he prays Judgment if the said Daniel his action thereupon against him to have or maintain ought &c.

And the said Daniel Dulany administrator aforesaid says that he by any thing by the said Charles Ridgely above by pleading alledged from having or maintaining his action aforesaid against him to be precluded ought not because he saith that on the first day of July in the said Condition mentioned the said Charles Ridgely did not pay to the said Thomas Bladen in his life time the sum of money specified in the said Condition which according to the form and Effect thereof he ought to have paid on that day in such manner and form as the said Charles Ridgely above in his plea hath alledged of this he prays may be enquired of by the Country, and the said Charles Ridgely in like manner &c.

Whereupon this cause standing ready for trial command is given to the sheriff of Ann Arundel County that he cause to come before the Judges of our General Court here on the second tuesday of October next twelve &c by whom &c and who neither &c to recognize &c because as well &c the same day is given to the said parties then and there &c.

At which said second tuesday of October being the fourteenth