Hand and seal this day of October 1787.
Test Tho Rufsell Charles Ridgely (Seal)

And the said Charles Ridgely by Samuel Chase his attorney aforesaid defends the force and injury when and so forth and prays leave of the 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 said plea hath alledged and of this he prays may be enquired of by the Country and the said Charles Ridgely in like manner and so forth.

Whereupon this cause standing ready for Trial command is given to the sheriff of Ann Arundel County that he cause to come before the

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 day of the same month anno Domini Seventeen hundred and Eighty eight comes again as well the aforesaid Daniel Dulany administrator aforesaid by William Cooke and Thomas Jennings his attornies aforesaid as the aforesaid Charles Ridgely by Samuel Chase, Richard Ridgely and Luther Martin his attornies But our said sheriff hath not sent his writ. Whereupon the aforesaid Charles Ridgely by his attornies aforesaid relinquishing the averment above by him pretended says that he cannot deny the action aforesaid of the said Daniel Dulany administrator aforesaid so as aforesaid against him brought nor but that he owes to the aforesaid Daniel Dulany administrator aforesaid the aforesaid sum of three hundred and twenty six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence Current money of Maryland in such manner and form as the aforesaid Daniel Dulany administrator aforesaid above against him hath declared.

Yet the said Charles Ridgely further saith that this confession is by him made Subject to the opinion of the Court whether by the late war between Great Britain and America the payments made by William Headington (the principal obligor in the aforementioned Bond) into the Treasury the debt is discharged or extinguished or any and what part of the Same or of the Interest thereof.

But because the Court here are not advised to give their Judgment of and upon the premises day therefore is given to the parties aforesaid until the second tuesday of May next to hear their Judgment of and upon those premises because the Court here thereof not yet &c.

At which said second tuesday of May being the twelfth day of the same month anno Domini Seventeen hundred and eighty nine Come again the parties aforesaid Plaintiff and Defendant by their attornies aforesaid. But because the court here are not yet advised to give their Judgment of and upon the premises day therefore is further given to the parties aforesaid until the second tuesday of October next to hear their Judgment of and upon the premises because the Court here thereof not yet &c.

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