paid the same or any part thereof to the said Francis but the same to pay to the said Francis have altogether refused and still do refuse wherefore he saith he hath damage to the value of two hundred thousand pounds of Merchantable inspected Crop tobacco and therefore he brings suit and brings into Court here the writing obligatory aforesaid sealed with the seals of them the said William Brawner, John Maddox and William Jones which the debt aforesaid in form aforesaid witnesseth whose date is the day and year aforesaid.

M. I. Stone for Pltff. pledges &c. John Doe and Richard Roe

And the aforesaid William Brawner Junior, John Maddox and William Jones by their attorney aforesaid as before defend the force and injury when and so forth, and pray an hearing of the writing obligatory aforesaid and of the Condition thereof and they have it in the words following to wit.

Maryland To Know all men by these presents that we William Brawner John Maddox and William Jones are held and firmly bound unto Francis Ware Sheriff of Charles County in the full and just sum of two hundred thousand pounds of Merchantable inspected Crop tobacco to be paid to the said Francis Ware his heirs Executors administrators or Assigns to the which payment well and truly to be made and done we bind ourselves our heirs executors and administrators in and for the whole jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this 5th day of October Anno domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven.

The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound William Brawner Jun. do and shall deligently and faithfully discharge the duty of a Deputy Sheriff and Collector for the County aforesaid for and in behalf of the aforesaid Francis Ware sheriff and collect the several sums of money and Tobacco with which he shall from time to time be entrusted by the said Francis Ware as sheriff or Belain Posey now superintendant of the said Sheriffs office or otherwise and to pay to or account with the said Belain Posey the said superintendant for such Collection and in all matters whatever

Indemnify

Indemnify the said Francis Ware and Belain Posey their and either of their heirs executors and administrators from any damage they or either of them may sustain by the said William Brawner Jun. as under sheriff and deputy Collector of the monies and tobacco aforesaid and that the said William Brawner Jun. shall at any time and from time to time when called on come to a settlement of his said collection and within fourteen days from the time he is discharged from his said office of Deputy sheriff and Collector for the County aforesaid deliver up all the papers relating to his said office to the said Francis Ware or Belain Posey their heirs executors, administrators or assigns or either of them and make a final settlement with the said Francis Ware or Belain Posey their or either of their heirs executors administrators or Assigns, then the above obligation to be void else to be and remain in full force and virtue in Law.

Signed sealed and Delivered in the presence of. Jno. B Turner, Hez Garner } W. Brawner Jun. (Seal) John Maddox (Seal) Will Jones (Seal)

It is agreed and understood by the parties to this obligation that the said William Brawner Jun. is not bound or intended to be bound to Collect or make good the public rate of assessment.

Witness Jno. B Turner, Hez Garner — for Col. Francis Ware Sheriff, Belain Posey

Which being read and heard the aforesaid William Brawner Junior John Maddox and William Jones by their attorney aforesaid as before defend the force and injury when and so forth and pray further leave to imparle hereunto until next Court and they have it the same day is given to the plaintiff also

At which said next court to wit the eleventh day of May Anno Domini seventeen hundred and ninety comes again as well the aforesaid Francis Ware by his attorney aforesaid as the aforesaid William Brawner Junior John Maddox and William Jones by their attorney aforesaid and the said William Brawner Junior John Maddox and William Jones by their attorney aforesaid as before defends the force and injury when and so forth and pray

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