third day of September in the year seventeen hundred and eighty nine and often afterwards at the County aforesaid were required, but the same or any part thereof to them the said William Knox, Thomas B. Usher and James M^c^Culloh or to any or either of them to pay or render they the said Joseph Engelman and William Davison have and each of them hath hitherto refused and do and each of them doth still refuse to the damage of the said William Knox, Thomas B Usher, and James M^c^Culloh five hundred pounds current money of Maryland and thereupon they bring suit and so forth

Archibald Robinson Att^y^ for Plff^s^, pledges &c. { John Doe & Richd Roe

Baltimore 12th June 1789. On the first day of September next ensuing the date hereof we or either of us promise to pay to Knox, Usher, & M^c^Culloh or their order for value received one hundred twenty one pounds thirteen and four pence Maryland currency.

Witness Geo: Sanderson — Joseph Engelman, William Davison

copies of which said Declaration and note were made and sent to the Sheriff of the County aforesaid with the said writ thereon endorsed "to be served on the Defendants with the writ or left at their last places of abode twenty days at least before the return of the said writ for plea or Judgment the first Court

At which mentioned second tuesday of October being the twelfth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety one and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ comes into the General Court here the said William Knox, Thomas B Usher and James M^c^Culloh by Archibald Robinson their attorney aforesaid, and the Sheriff of Washington County aforesaid to wit Daniel Stull Gentleman to whom the said foregoing writ was in form aforesaid directed makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit

"Lepi Engelman August 26th & Copy left said day N. E. Davidson, D Stull Sh^ff^

and the said Joseph Engelman by John Thomson Mason and Baker Johnson his attornies appear in Court here, and thereupon on motion of the said William Knox, Thomas B Usher and James M^c^Culloh by their attorney aforesaid. It is ruled by the Court here that the said Joseph Engelman give special bail in the plea aforesaid, whereupon the said Joseph Engelman by his attorneys aforesaid files in Court here a certain bail piece and which being approved of by the Court here is in form following to wit

William Knox, Thomas B. Usher and James M^c^Culloh plaintiffs against Joseph Engelman & Wm Davidson defts	you Melchor Bettzover & Alexander Slagle do jointly and severally acknowledge yourselves special bail for the said Joseph Engelman at the suit of the said William Knox

Thomas B. Usher and James M^c^Culloch against the said Joseph Engelman

and William Davidson in the General Court for the Western Shore of Maryland They acknowledge themselves to be content therewith this 18th day of September 1790 To the Honourable the Judges of the General Court. Before, John Stull

I hereby impower John T. Mason, to appear for me in the above suit. Joseph Engelman

And thereupon on motion of the aforesaid William Knox, Thomas B. Usher and James M^c^Culloh by their attorney aforesaid. It is ruled by the Court here that the said Joseph Engelman answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid William Knox, Thomas B Usher and James M^c^Culloh in the plea aforesaid or Judgment by the Court here will be entered against him in default thereof, and the said Joseph Engelman by his attorneys aforesaid defends the force and injury when and so forth, and prays leave of the Court here to imparle until the second Tuesday of May next and then to answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid William Knox, Thomas B. Usher and James M^c^Culloh in the plea aforesaid and to him it is granted, the same day is given the aforesaid William Knox, Thomas B. Usher and James M^c^Culloh also

At which said second Tuesday of May being the tenth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety one to which said day the said Joseph Engelman had leave to imparle and then to answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid William Knox Thomas B. Usher & James M^c^Culloh in the plea aforesaid come again into the General Court here as well the aforesaid William Knox, Thomas B. Usher and James M^c^Culloh by their attorney aforesaid as the said Joseph Engelman by his attornies aforesaid, and the said Joseph Engelman by his attornies aforesaid as before defends the force and injury when and so forth and saith that he did not assume upon himself in manner and form as the aforesaid William Knox, Thomas B. Usher and James M^c^Culloh above against him hath complained, and of this he puts himself upon the Country, and the said William Knox, Thomas B Usher and James M^c^Culloh in like manner and so forth, therefore let a Jury thereon appear before the Court here on the second Tuesday of October next by whom and so forth, and who neither and so forth to recognize and so forth because as well and so forth the same day is given to the said parties then and there and so forth.

And now at this day to wit the said second Tuesday of October being the eleventh day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety one come again into the General Court here as well the said William Knox, Thomas B Usher and James M^c^Culloh by their attorney aforesaid as the said Joseph Engelman by his attornies aforesaid, and the said Joseph Engelman by his attornies aforesaid relinquishing the averment aforesaid above by him pretended says that he cannot deny the action aforesaid of the said William Knox, Thomas B. Usher and James M^c^Culloh so as aforesaid against him brought nor but that the aforesaid William, Knox, Thomas B

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