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 April 5th 1791. Thomas Rutter Sheriff.

And the said Sheriff although solemnly called to bring into Court the body of the said William Goodwin, according to the return of the writ aforesaid, brings him not in but makes default, whereupon it is adjudged that the said Sheriff be amerced the debt and costs unless he has the body of the said William Goodwin here next Court.

At which said next Court to wit, the second tuesday of October being the eleventh day of the same month Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and ninety one, comes again here into our General Court the said William Molleson by his Attorney aforesaid and the said Sheriff being called upon to bring into Court the body of the said William Goodwin, according to the return of the said writ aforesaid, brings him in. Therefore it is ordered that the amercement aforesaid be struck out.

And the said William Goodwin being called upon appears, and at the prayer of the said William Molleson by his attorney aforesaid, the said William Goodwin is adjudged to give special Bail to the action aforesaid, whereupon the said William Goodwin by Luther Martin his attorney files in Court here the following Bail piece to wit.

William Molleston for the use of Thomas Contee against William Goodwin

You Samuel Stringer Coale and Charles Wells jointly and severally acknowledge yourselves special Bail for William Goodwin at the suit of William Molleson in an action of debt brought by the said William Molleson against the said William Goodwin in the General Court for the Western Shore held in the City of Annapolis, the second tuesday in May last they acknowledge themselves content therewith, this 15th day of October seventeen hundred and ninety one.

acknowledged before. John Moale. Isaac V. Bibber.

I, William Goodwin empower, authorize, and appoint Luther Martin Esquire, to appear for me in the above action. Given under my hand and seal, this 15th day of October seventeen hundred and ninety one.

Witness. Isaac V. Bibber. William Goodwin (seal)

To the Honorable the Judges of the General Court.

And the said William Goodwin by his attorney aforesaid, defends the force and injury when and soforth, and prays leave of the Court here to imparle hereunto until next Court and he has it and the same day is given to the Plaintiff also.

At which said next Court to wit, the second Tuesday of May being the eighth day of the same month Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and ninety two, comes again here into our General Court as well the said William Molleson by his attorney aforesaid as the said William Goodwin

Goodwin by his attorney aforesaid. And the said William Goodwin by his attorney aforesaid as before defends the force and injury when and soforth, and prays further leave of the Court 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 second tuesday of October being the ninth day of the same month Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and ninety two, comes again here into our General Court as well the said William Molleson by his attorney aforesaid as the said William Goodwin by his attorney aforesaid. And the said William Goodwin by his attorney aforesaid as before further defends the force and injury when and soforth, and prays oyer of the said writing obligatory, and the condition thereof which are read in the words following to wit.

Know all men by these presents, that we Charles Ridgely, Alexander McLure and William Goodwin of Baltimore county in the province of Maryland merchants and late copartners are held and firmly bound unto William Molleson of the City of London merchant in the full and just sum of twenty eight hundred and ninety three pounds one shilling and six pence sterling to be paid to the said William Molleson his certain attorney, executors administrators or assigns, to which payment well and truly to be made and done we bind ourselves our heirs, executors administrators in the whole and for the whole jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals, dated this fourth day of August anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy four.

The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound Charles Ridgely, Alexander McLure and William Goodwin their heirs executors administrators or either of them do and shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said Milleson his certain attorney executors, administrators or assigns the full and just sum of fourteen hundred and forty six pounds ten shillings and nine pence sterling at or upon the first day of October in the year seventeen hundred and seventy five, in Bills of Exchange drawn on London at thirty days sight or in common money at the current exchange with legal interest thereon from 21st day of July last without any fraud or further delay, then the above obligation to be void, and of none effect, else to be and remain in full force and virtue in Law.

Sealed and delivered in presence of James Jaffray. James Christie Junr

Charles Ridgely (seal)
Alexr. McLure (seal)
Wm Goodwin (seal)

Which being read and heard the said William Goodwin saith that the said William Molleson his action thereupon against him to have and maintain ought not because he saith that he the said William Goodwin paid to the said William Molleson upon the first day of October in the year of our lord one thousand seven hundred and

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