appear in Court here. And thereupon, on motion of the said Thomas Rutland by his Solicitor aforesaid; It is ruled by the Court here that the said Thomas Staines and Elizabeth his wife answer to the Bill aforesaid of the said Thomas Rutland by the second Tuesday of May next, and if they do not then answer to the Bill aforesaid of the said Thomas Rutland by the said second Tuesday of May next, Attachment will be awarded against them the said Thomas Staines and Elizabeth his wife for their contempt in not answering to the Bill aforesaid of the said Thomas Rutland; the same day is given to the said Thomas Rutland then and there and soforth.

At which said second Tuesday of May being the eighth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, to which said day it was ruled that the said Thomas Staines and Elizabeth his wife answer to the Bill aforesaid of the said Thomas Rutland preferred against them come again into the General Court here, as well the said Thomas Rutland by his Solicitor aforesaid as the said Thomas Staines and Elizabeth his wife by their Solicitors aforesaid. And thereupon on Motion of the said Thomas Rutland by his Solicitor aforesaid. It is further ruled by the Court here that the said Thomas Staines and Elizabeth his wife answer to the Bill aforesaid of the said Thomas Rutland by the second Tuesday of October next, and if they do not then answer to the Bill aforesaid of the said Thomas Rutland by the said second Tuesday of October next, Attachment will be awarded against them the said Thomas Stains and Elizabeth his wife for their contempt in not answering to the Bill aforesaid of the said Thomas Rutland; the same day is given to the said Thomas Rutland then and there, and Soforth.

At which said second Tuesday of October being the ninth day of the said month, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, to which said day it was further ruled that then said Thomas Staines and Elizabeth his wife answer to the Bill aforesaid of the said Thomas Rutland preferred against them come again into the General Court here, as well the said Thomas Rutland by his Solicitor aforesaid, as the said Thomas Staines and Elizabeth his wife by their Solicitor aforesaid And the said Thomas Staines and Elizabeth his wife although solemnly called to answer to the Bill of complaint aforesaid of the said Thomas Rutland preferred against them according to the rule aforesaid do not make any answer thereto but

but therein make Default. Thereupon on the motion of the said Thomas Rutland by his Solicitor aforesaid, it is ordered by the Court here, that the writ of the State of Maryland of attachment issue to the Sheriff of Anne Arundel County aforesaid, commanding him to attach the bodies of the said Thomas Staines and Elizabeth his wife to answer unto the State of Maryland for their contempt in not answering to the Bill of complaint aforesaid of the said Thomas Rutland after being ruled by the Court here thereto returnable the second Tuesday of May next; which said writ of attachment accordingly issues, directed to the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County aforesaid, in the words and figures following, to wit. The State of Maryland ss. To the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County, Greeting, You are commanded that you attach the Bodys of Thomas Staines and Elizabeth his wife if they shall be found in your Bailiwick and them safe keep so that you have them before the Judges of our General Court to be held at the City of Annapolis on the second Tuesday of May next to answer as well touching a certain contempt by them against us committed in not answering the Bill of Complaint of Thomas Rutland against them in the said Court exhibited as to such other matters and things as shall be then and there alledged against them. Thereof fail not as you will answer the same at your Peril. Witness the Honourable Robert Hanson Harrison Esquire Chief Judge of our said Court the 19th day of November Anno Domini 1787. (G. Duvall)

Issued the 12th day of Febr. 1788. Thos. B. Hodgkin Clk.

The same day is given to the said Thomas Rutland then and there and soforth.

At which said second Tuesday of May being the thirteenth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, and the day of the return of the aforegoing Writ, comes again into the General Court here as well the said Thomas Rutland by Gabriel Duvall and Luther Martin his Solicitor as the said Thomas Staines and Elizabeth his wife by Samuel Chase and William Cooke their Solicitors. And the Sheriff of Anne Arundel County aforesaid, to wit, David Stewart Gentleman, to whom the said foregoing Writ of attachment, was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here, thus endorsed, to Wit. - Not attached - D. Stewart Shff."

And thereupon the said Thomas Rutland by his Solicitors