said David which the Debt aforesaid in form aforesaid, Witnesseth whose date is the day and year first aforesaid and Soforth.
B. Johnson for the Deft Pledges and Soforth – Jno. Doe & Rd. Roe
And the said David by his attorney comes and defends the force and injury, when and soforth and prayeth an hearing of the writing obligatory aforesaid and he hath it as follows to wit,– On demand I promise to pay Mr George Schnachgelle the just sum of one hundred and fifty four pounds current money of Maryland for value of him received Ass Witness my hand and seal this sixteenth day of Septr 1789.
Test. Jacob Morgan David Hoffman (Seal)
Copies of which said declaration and oyer were made and sent to the sheriff of the County aforesaid, with the said writ, thereon endorsed – To be served on the defendant, with the writ, or left at his place 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 May being the eighth day of the said month, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety two, and the day of the return of the foregoing writ, comes into the General Court here the said George Schnertzell by Baker Johnson his attorney aforesaid, and the Sheriff of Allegany County aforesaid, to wit, John C. Beatty Gentleman, to whom the said foregoing writ was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here, thus endorsed, to wit. Bepi and Declaration left 16th Feby. 1792. John C. Beatty Shff.
And the said David Hoffman by Philip Barton Key his attorney, appears in Court here, and thereupon, on motion of the said George Schnertzell by his attorney aforesaid it is ruled by the Court here that the said David Hoffman give special bail in the plea aforesaid; Whereupon the said David Hoffman by his attorney aforesaid, files in Court here a certain bail piece, and which being approved of by the Court, is in form following, to wit, George Schnertzell Plaintiff against David Hoffman Defendt.
You George Dent and Charles Frederick Brodhag do Jointly and severally acknowledge yourselves special Bail for the said David Hofman in an action of Debt brought by the said George Schnertzell against the said David Hofman in the General Court for the Western you acknowledge yourselves to be content therewith this 25th day of April 1792.
(To the Honourable the Judges of the General Court.) Andrew Bruce
Lemuel Brovird
Philip B. Key Esqr. Attorney for Defendent.

And thereupon, on motion of the said George Schnertzell by his attorney aforesaid, it is ruled by the Court here that the said David Hoffman answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the said George Schnertzell in the plea aforesaid, or Judgment by the Court here will be entered against him in default thereof; and the said David Hoffman by his attorney aforesaid, defends the force and injury, when, and soforth, and prays leave of the Court here to imparle until the second Tuesday of October next, and then to answer to the declaration aforesaid of the said George Schnertzell in the plea aforesaid, and to him it is granted; the same day is given to the said George Schnertzell also,–
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 ninety two, to which said day the said David Hoffman had leave to imparle, and then to answer to the declaration aforesaid of the said George Schnertzell in the plea aforesaid, comes again into the General Court here, as well the said George Schnertzell by his attorney aforesaid, as the said David Hoffman by his attorney aforesaid, and the said David Hoffman by his attorney aforesaid, as before, defends the force and injury, when, &c. And the said David by Philip Barton Key his attorney comes and defends the force and injury when and soforth, and says that the said George his action aforesaid to have and maintain ought not, because according to the Statute in such cases made and provided the said David says that he the said David in the writing obligatory aforesaid named, before the day of impetration of the writ original of him the said George in this cause at Allegany County aforesaid paid to the said George the said sum of one hundred and fifty four pounds current money in the said Bill obligatory above mentioned and all interest thereon due unto the payment thereof; and this he is ready to verify wherefore he prays Judgment if the said George his action aforesaid thereof against him to have and maintain ought and Soforth. and the said George Schnertzell by his attorney aforesaid, saith, that he, by any thing by the said David Hoffman above in pleading alleged, from having or maintaining his action aforesaid against him, ought not to be precluded, because he saith, that the said David Hoffman did not pay unto him the said George Schnertzell the aforesaid sum of money with the Interest thereon in manner and form as the said David Hoffman above by pleading hath alleged

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