seal and dated this fourteenth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty six. The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound William Wilkinson do and shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said John Forbes his certain attorney executors administrators or assigns the just and full sum of four hundred and sixty six pounds fourteen shillings and six pence current money with interest for the same then the above obligation to be void else to remain in full force and virtue in law.
Signed Sealed and delivered
In presence of
Joseph Anderson

Wm Wilkinson (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 John Forbes by Philip Barton Key his attorney aforesaid, and the Sheriff of Charles County aforesaid, to wit, James Simmes Gentleman to whom the said foregoing writ was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here, thus endorsed, to wit,- Copi Copy left 27th March- James Simms Sheriff: and the said William Wilkinson by Thomas Duhurst Merrick his attorney appears in Court here: and thereupon on motion of the said John Forbes by his attorney aforesaid, it is ruled by the Court here, that the said William Wilkinson give special bail in the Plea aforesaid; whereupon the said William Wilkinson by his attorney aforesaid, files in Court here a certain bail piece, and which being approved of by the Court here, is in form following, to wit, John Forbes against William Mackall Wilkinson. Action of debt in the General Court for the Western Shore of Maryland May Term 1792. You Patrick Lin Smith and William Magruder do jointly and severally acknowledge yourselves special bail for the said William Mackall Wilkinson at the suit of the said John Forbes in an action of debt brought by the said John Forbes against the said William Mackall Wilkinson in the General Court for the Western Shore of Maryland they acknowledge themselves to be content therewith this twenty third day of May seventeen hundred and ninety two.
To the honourable the Judges of the General Court

before
Allen Bowie
Thomas Machubin

I hereby empower T.D. Merrick to appear for me in the above suit.
William Mackall Wilkinson

and thereupon, on motion of the said John Forbes by his attorney aforesaid, it is ruled by the Court here, that the said William Wilkinson answer to the declaration aforesaid, of the said John Forbes in the plea aforesaid or Judgment by the Court here will be entered against him in default thereof: and the said William Wilkinson by his attorney aforesaid, defends the force and injury, when, and soforth, and prays leave of the Court here to imparle until the seconds Tuesday of October next, and then to answer to the declaration aforesaid of the said John Forbes in the plea aforesaid, and to him it is granted; the same day is given to the said John Forbes 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 William Wilkinson had leave to imparle and then to answer to the declaration aforesaid of the said John Forbes in the Plea aforesaid, comes again into the General Court here, as well the said John Forbes by his attorney aforesaid, as the said William Wilkinson by his attorney aforesaid; and the said William Wilkinson by his attorney aforesaid, as before, defends the force and injury, when and soforth, and prays an hearing of the writing obligatory aforesaid and also of the condition thereof and to him they are read: which being read and heard the said William Wilkinson says that the said John Forbes his action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought not; because he saith that he the said William Wilkinson did not pay unto the said John Forbes the sum of four hundred and sixty six Pounds fourteen shillings and six pence current money in the condition of the said writing obligatory mentioned with legal interest thereon according to the form and effect of the condition of the said writing obligatory and this he is ready to verify wherefore he prays Judgment if the said John Forbes his action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought and soforth. And the said John Forbes by his attorney aforesaid saith that he by any thing by the said William Wilkinson above in pleading alleged from having and maintaining his action aforesaid against him ought not to be precluded because he saith that the said William Wilkinson did not pay unto him the said John Forbes the aforesaid sum of money in the condition aforesaid mentioned with the interest thereon in manner

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