adrespondendum against the Said Anne Smith, directed to the Sheriff of Saint Marys County in form following to wit. —
The State of Maryland ss. To the Sheriff of Saint Marys County Greeting, We Command you that you Summons Anne Smith of Saint Marys County that all delays and excuses set aside She be and appear before the Judges of our General Court to be held at the City of Annapolis on the Second Tuesday of May next to answer unto the Petition of Robert Butler Referred against her for freedom hereof She is not to fail, and fail not at your Peril and have you then and there this writ. Witness the Honourable Samuel Chase Esquire Chief Judge of our Said Court the 1st day of Feb. 1792
Issued the 24th day of February 1793. G. D. Jno. Gwinn Clk.

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 ninety two, and the day of the return of the aforegoing Summons comes into the General Court here, the Said Robert Butler by his Attorney aforesaid; and the Sheriff of Saint Marys County aforesaid to whom the Said Summons was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit, —

"Summoned. F. Hamersley Shff"

Nevertheless, the Said Anne Smith, come not into the General Court here; Whereupon, on motion of the Said Robert Butler by his Attorney aforesaid, it is ordered by the Court here, that the writ of the State of Maryland of Attachment issued forth out of the General Court here against the Said Anne Smith, directed to the Sheriff of Saint Marys County, in form following to wit. —
The State of Maryland ss. To the Sheriff of Saint Marys County Greeting; You are hereby commanded, that you Attach the body of Anne Smith late of Saint Marys County and her have before the General Court to be held at the City of Annapolis on the Second tuesday of October next to answer unto the State of Maryland touching a certain Contempt by her committed, in not appearing to answer the petition of Robert Butler in the Said Court preferred against her for freedom after being thereto legally summoned hereof fail not at your peril and have you then and there this writ Witness the Honorable Samuel Chase Esquire Chief Judge of the Said Court the 31st day of May Anno Domini 1792. —
Issued the 19th day of June 1792. L. Martin John Gwinn Clk.

Thereupon, the Same day is given to the Said Robert Butler, then and there, and So forth. —

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, and the day of the return of the aforegoing Attachment, comes again into the General Court here, the Said Robert Butler by his Attorney aforesaid; and the Sheriff of Saint Marys County aforesaid, to whom the Said Attachment was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit, "Attached. F. Hamersley Sheriff"

Nevertheless, the Said Anne Smith, comes not into the General Court here: And the Said Sheriff of Saint Marys County although Solemnly called upon by order of the Court here on motion of the Said Robert Butler by his Attorney aforesaid to bring into the Said Court here the body of the Said Anne Smith whom he ought to have here this day in pursuance of the command of the Said Attachment and according to the tenor of his return thereof as aforesaid brings not into Court here the Said Anne Smith but therein makes default; whereupon, on motion of the Said Robert Butler by his Attorney aforesaid, and according to the Act of Assembly in Such cases made and provided, it is ruled by the Court here, that the Said Sheriff of Saint Marys County, be amerced the Sum of Five Shillings Current Money in case he brings not into Court here the body of the Said Anne Smith, on the Second Tuesday of May next; the Same day is given to the Said Robert Butler then and So forth. —

At which Said Second Tuesday of May being the fourteenth day of the Said month in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and ninety three; comes again into the General Court here, the Said Robert Butler by his Attorney aforesaid; and the Said Sheriff of Saint Marys County to whom the Attachment aforesaid was in form aforesaid directed, although again Solemnly called upon by order of the Court here, on motion of the Said Robert Butler by his Attorney aforesaid, to bring into the Said Court here the body of the Said Anne Smith, whom he ought to have here this day in pursuance of the command of the Attachment aforesaid and according to the tenor of his return thereof as aforesaid and in Compliance with the Rule of the Court here aforesaid, and to save