P.B.K. Robert Peter
vs
Ill. William G. Peerce.

Be it Remembered that heretofore to wit on the fifth day of September in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety two the said Robert Peter by Philip Barton Key his attorney sued out of the General Court here the writ of the State of Maryland of capias ad respondendum directed to the Sheriff of Montgomery County, in the words and figures following, to wit;

The State of Maryland, &c. To the Sheriff of Montgomery County, Greeting. We command you that you take William Gale Peerce late of Montgomery County Planter otherwise called William Gale Peerce of said County if he shall be found in your bailiwick, and him safe keep, so that you have his body before the Judges of our General Court, to be held at the City of Annapolis on the second Tuesday of October next, to answer unto Robert Peter of a plea that he render to him the full and just sum of four hundred and twenty one pounds nine shillings and eleven pence half penny specie of the value of the like sum of current money which from him he unjustly detains and so forth. Hereof 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 first day of August Anno Domini 1792.

Issued the 5th day of September 1792. P.B.K. John Gwynn, Clk.

And the aforesaid Robert Peter by his attorney aforesaid on the day of the issuing of the aforegoing writ filed in Court here the following Declaration and Oyer of Bond, a copy whereof was made and sent with the said writ, to the Sheriff of the County aforesaid to wit; —— Western Shore, Montgomery County, to wit. William Gale Peerce late of Montgomery County Planter, otherwise called William Gale Peerce of said County was summoned to answer Robert Peter of a plea that he render to him the full and just sum of four hundred and twenty one Pounds nine shillings and Eleven pence half penny specie of the value of the like sum of current money which from him he unjustly detains and so forth. And whereupon the said Robert by Philip Barton Key his attorney saith that whereas the said William Gale on the fifteenth day of June in the year seventeen hundred and ninety two by his certain writing obligatory acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto the said Robert in the full and just sum of four hundred and twenty one pounds nine shillings and eleven pence half penny specie; Maryland Currency, dollars at seven Shillings and six pence each, when he should afterwards be thereto requested: And the said Robert in fact saith that the said sum of four hundred and twenty one pounds nine shillings and eleven pence half penny specie Maryland Currency, dollars at seven Shillings and six pence each, at the time of making the writing obligatory aforesaid then was, now is and always hitherto hath been of the value of four hundred and twenty one pounds, nine shillings and eleven pence current money, to wit at the County aforesaid. Nevertheless the said William Gale altho' often thereto

thereto afterwards requested the aforesaid sum of specie or the value thereof in current money hath not paid, but the same to pay he hitherto hath altogether refused and still doth refuse wherefore the said Robert is the worse and hath damage to the value of one thousand pounds current money and therefore he brings suit and so forth and brings into Court the writing obligatory aforesaid sealed with the seal of the said William Gale whose date is the day and year aforesaid and which the debt aforesaid in form aforesaid witnesseth ——

Philip B. Key for Plaintiff. John Doe and Richard Roe } Pledges &c.

Oyer: Know all men by these presents that I William Gale Peerce of Montgomery County and State of Maryland am held and firmly bound unto Robert Peter of County and State aforesaid in the full and just sum of four hundred and twenty one pounds nine shillings and eleven pence half penny specie Maryland currency dollars 7/6 each, to be paid unto the said Robert Peter his certain attorney Executors Administrators or assigns; to which payment well and truly to be made and done I bind myself my heirs Executors and Administrators Jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with my seal and dated this fifteenth day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety two. The condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bound William Gale Peerce do and shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said Robert Peter his certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators or Assigns the just and full sum of two hundred and ten pounds fourteen shillings and eleven pence three farthings specie money aforesaid on or before day of next ensuing the date whereof with legal Interest thereon, then the above Obligation to be void and of no effect else to be and remain in full force and virtue in Law.

Signed Sealed and delivered in presence of – J. Thompson. } William G. Peerce (Seal)

At which mentioned second Tuesday in May being the ninth day of the same month in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety two and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ, comes into the General Court here the aforesaid Robert Peter by his attorney aforesaid; and the Sheriff of Montgomery County, to wit, Soloman Holland Gentleman to whom the said aforegoing writ, was in form aforesaid directed likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus indorsed, to wit;

Cepi, Copy left 22nd Sept. Soloman Holland Sheriff.

And the aforesaid William Gale Peerce by John Mackall Gantt his attorney defends the force and injury when and so forth and prays leave of the Court here to imparle until the second Tuesday of May, next, and he hath it, the same day is given to the said Robert Peter also.