General Court for the Western Shore, to be held in the city of Annapolis the second Tuesday in May next; they acknowledge themselves content therewith this twenty seventh day of May seventeen hundred and ninety four. Francis C. Dyer

Acknowledged before: Nich. Young.

I Edward Jenkins empower, authorize and appoint, Thomas D Merrick Esquire, to appear for me in the above Action. Given under my Hand and Seal, this twenty seventh day of May seventeen hundred and ninety four.

Witness Francis C. Dyer.

To the Honourable the Judges of the General Court.

And the aforesaid Edward Jenkins by Thomas Dutton Merrick his Attorney aforesaid comes and defends the force and injury when and so forth, And prays Leave of the Court to Imparle hereunto untill next Court, and he hath it, and the same day is given to the Plaintiff also.

At which said next Court, to wit, the second Tuesday of October being the fourteenth day of the same month Anno Domini seventeen hundred and ninety four, come again here into our General Court as well the aforesaid John Laird and Thomas Dick Executors as aforesaid by their Attorney aforesaid, as the aforesaid Edward Jenkins by his Attorney aforesaid, And the aforesaid Edward Jenkins by his Attorney aforesaid as before defends the force and injury when and so forth, and saith that the aforesaid John Laird and Thomas Dick Executors as aforesaid their Action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought ye. because he saith that he the said Edward Jenkins did pay unto the said Robert Dick in his life time the said sum of 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 aforesaid John Laird and Thomas Dick Executors as aforesaid their Action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought ye.

And the aforesaid John Laird and Thomas Dick Executors as aforesaid say, that they by any thing by the said Edward Jenkins above in pleading alledged from having or maintaining their Action aforesaid against him ought not to be precluded, because they say that the aforesaid Edward Jenkins did not pay unto the aforesaid

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Robert Dick in his life time the aforesaid sum of money in the Condition aforesaid mentioned with the Interest thereon in such manner and form as the aforesaid Edward Jenkins above by pleading hath alledged, and of this they pray may be enquired of by the Country, And the aforesaid Edward Jenkins in like manner and &c.

Therefore let a Jury thereupon appear before the Judges of our General Court here, on the second Tuesday of May next by whom &c. and who neither &c. because as well &c. the same day is given to the parties aforesaid then and there &c.

And now here at this day to wit, the said second Tuesday of May, being the twelfth day of the same month Anno Domini seventeen hundred and ninety five come again here into our General Court as well the aforesaid John Laird and Thomas Dick Executors as aforesaid by their Attorney aforesaid as the aforesaid Edward Jenkins in his proper person, whereupon it is ruled by the Court that the Defendant in this Cause employ new Counsel this Term, his former Counsel being dead. Nevertheless the aforesaid Edward Jenkins by William Hitty his Attorney comes again here into Court and relinquishing the averment aforesaid above by him pretended says, that he cannot deny the Action aforesaid, of the aforesaid John Laird and Thomas Dick Executors as aforesaid so as aforesaid against him brought, nor but that he owes to the aforesaid John Laird and Thomas Dick Executors aforesaid the aforesaid sum of One thousand three hundred and two pounds eight shillings and ten pence Current Money in manner and form aforesaid so as the aforesaid John Laird and Thomas Dick Executors as aforesaid above against him have declared.

Therefore it is considered by the Judges here that the aforesaid John Laird and Thomas Dick Executors as aforesaid recover against the said Edward Jenkins as well the sum of One thousand three hundred and two pounds eight shillings and ten pence Current Money their Debt aforesaid in form aforesaid confessed as also the quantity of Eight hundred and fifty seven pounds of Tobacco by the Court here unto the aforesaid John Laird and Thomas Dick Executors as aforesaid on their assent adjudged as well for their damages sustained by reason of the detention of that Debt as for their Costs and charges by them about their suit in this behalf laid out and expended. And the said Edward Jenkins in Mercy and so forth.

Memorandum, Judgment was rendered in this Cause, on the

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