brings here into Court the writing obligatory aforesaid, sealed with the Seal of the aforesaid Samuel which the debt aforesaid, in form aforesaid, witnesseth, the date whereof is the day and year aforesaid, and so forth.

William Cooke for the Plaintiff } Pledges and so forth to { John Doe and Richard Roe

The Oyer of the writing obligatory aforesaid, and the condition thereof, follow in these words, to wit.

Know all Men by these presents, that I Samuel Hepburn of Prince George's County and State of Maryland Gentleman, am held and firmly bound unto Thomas Contee Esq. in the full & just sum of two Hundred pounds Current money; to be paid to the said Thomas Contee Esq. his certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators & Assigns to which payment well and truly to be made and done, I bind myself, my Heirs, Executors and Administrators firmly by these presents - Sealed with my Seal and dated this seventeenth day February, seventeen Hundred and ninety five. The Condition of this Obligation is such, that if the above bounden, Samuel Hepburn his Heirs, Executors and administrators, do and shall well and truly pay, or cause to be paid to the above named Thomas Contee Esq. his certain Attorney Executors, Administrators and Assigns, the full & just sum of one Hundred pounds current money, with legal Interest thereon then the above Obligation to be void else to be and remain in full force and Virtue

Signed Sealed & Delivered in the presence of Edw.d Nicholls } Sam.l Hepburn (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 twelfth day of the said month, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five, and the day of the return of the foregoing writ, comes into the General Court here the said Thomas Contee by William Cooke his Attorney aforesaid, and the Sheriff of Prince Georges County aforesaid, to wit, William I. Jackson Gentleman, to whom the said foregoing writ was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here, (thus)

thus Endorsed to wit. "Cepi Copy left 10th April 1795 Wm. I Jackson Shff."

And the said Samuel Hepburn appears in Court here in his proper person and says, that he cannot deny the Action aforesaid of the said Thomas Contee so as aforesaid against him brought, nor but that he owes to the said Thomas Contee the said sum of two hundred pounds current money, in manner and form aforesaid, as the said Thomas Contee above against him hath declard; Therefore it is considered by the Court here, that the said Thomas Contee recover against the said Samuel Hepburn as well the sum of two hundred pounds current money, his debt aforesaid in form aforesaid confessed, as also the quantity of six hundred and forty nine pounds of Tobacco, by the Court here unto him the said Thomas Contee on his afore adjudged, for his damages which he hath sustained as well by reason of the detention of the said debt, as for his costs and charges by him about his suit in this behalf laid out and expended; and the said Samuel Hepburn in Mercy and so forth.

Memorandum Judgment was rendered in this cause on the twentieth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five, for two hundred pounds current money the penalty of the bond and Costs; To be released on payment of £100 Current money with Interest thereon from the 17th day of February 1795 till paid & Costs subject to the same Terms Recorded in the suit between the same parties folio 514 Test. John Gwinn Clerk

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Be it remembered, that heretofore, to wit, on the Eighth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five, the said Thomas Contee by William Cooke his Attorney, prosecuted and sued forth, out of the General Court here, the writ of the State of Maryland of capias ad respondendum, directed to the Sheriff of Prince Georges County, in the words and of the tenor following, to wit, The State of Maryland, &c. To the Sheriff of Prince Georges County, Greeting. We command you that you take Samuel Hepburn late of Prince Georges County Gentleman 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 May instant to answer unto Thomas Contee of a plea of Trespass upon the case 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 10th day of (February)