here into our General Court the aforesaid William Slater by Robert Smith his aforesaid. And the Sheriff of Montgomery County aforesaid to whom the said aforegoing writ was made and directed likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit.

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And the said William King being called upon appears, and at the prayer of the aforesaid William Slater by his attorney aforesaid, the said William King is adjudged to give special bail to the action aforesaid. Whereupon the said William King by Walter Brookes his attorney files in Court here the following Bail piece to wit.

William Slater Plaintiff
vs
William King Defendant

You Thomas Barclay & William Prout do jointly and severally acknowledge yourselves special bail for the said William King at the suit of the said William Slater in an action of trespass on the Cse brought by the said William Slater against the said William King in the General Court for the Western Shore of the State of Maryland. They acknowledge themselves to be Content therewith this fifth day of May 1796. Danl Heintzel. Thos Corcoran.

To the Honorable the Judges of the General Court.

I do hereby authorise and empower Walter Brookes Esquire to appear for me in the above suit. Wm King

which said bail piece is approved by the Court here. Thereupon the aforesaid William King by Walter Brookes and James Cooke his attornies defends the force and injury when and soforth. And the said William Slater by his attorney aforesaid prays that the aforesaid William King may answer to his declaration aforesaid in the plea aforesaid by the twentieth day of August next; and thereupon it is said to the aforesaid William King that if he doth not answer to the declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid William Slater by the said twentieth day of August next Judgment will be entered against him by default. And thereupon the aforesaid William King by his attornies aforesaid prays leave of the Court to Imparle hereunto untill the second tuesday of October next, and he hath it, the same day is given to the aforesaid William Slater also. At which said second tuesday of October being the eleventh day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety six comes again here into our General Court as well the aforesaid William Slater by his attorney aforesaid, as the aforesaid William King by his attornies aforesaid,

aforesaid. And the said William King by his attornies aforesaid as before defends the force and injury when and soforth, and saith that he did not afume upon himself in such manner and form as the aforesaid William Slater above against him hath declared and of this he puts himself upon the Country, and the aforesaid William Slater in like manner and soforth. 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 to recognize &c because as well &c the same day is given to the parties aforesaid there and there &c. And now at this day to wit, the said second tuesday of May being the ninth day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven comes again here into our General Court as well the aforesaid William Slater by his attorney aforesaid as the aforesaid William King by his attornies aforesaid. Nevertheless the aforesaid William King by James Cooke his attorney aforesaid relinquishing the avrment aforesaid above by him pretended say that he cannot deny the action aforesaid of the aforesaid William Slater so as aforesaid against him brought nor but that the aforesaid William Slater hath sustained damage to the sum of fourteen hundred pounds Current money of Maryland by occasion of the promise and afumption aforesaid in such manner and form as the aforesaid William Slater above against him hath declared. Therefore it is considered by the Judges here that the said William Slater recover against the aforesaid William King as well the sum of fourteen hundred pounds Current money of Maryland his damages aforesaid in form aforesaid confessed as also the quantity of seven hundred and eighty nine pounds of tobacco by the Court here unto him the said William Slater on his afent adjudged for his costs and Charges by him about his suit in this behalf laid out and expendid. And the aforesaid William King in Mercy and soforth.

Memorandum Judgment was rendered in this Cause on the eleventh day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven for the damages laid in the Declaration and Costs of suit, to be released on payment of two thousand Dollars with Interest thereon from the second day of November one thousand seven hundred and ninety five and Costs and the plaintiff agrees to stay execution untill the first day of August next.

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William Slater
against
William King

Be it remembered that heretofore to wit, on the twenty fourth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety six. The plaintiff by