And whereupon the said Robert by Philip Barton Key his attorney saith that whereas the aforesaid David on the twelfth day of August in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety five at the County aforesaid, by his certain writing obligatory acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto him the aforesaid Robert in the said sum of two hundred and three pounds eight shillings and six pence Current money to be paid to him the said Robert when afterwards he should be thereunto required. Nevertheless the aforesaid David (although often thereunto required) the aforesaid sum of two hundred and three pounds eight shillings and six pence Current money to him the said Robert hath not rendered or paid, but the same or any part thereof to him hitherto to render or pay he hath altogether refused, and still doth refuse; wherefore the said Robert is the worse, and hath damage to the value of Three hundred pounds Current money and therefore he brings suit and so forth, and brings here into Court the writing obligatory aforesaid sealed with the seal of the aforesaid David, which the debt aforesaid, in form aforesaid witnesseth, the date whereof is the day and year aforesaid and so forth.

Philip B Key Atty for the Plaintiff. } John Roe &
pledges and so forth. } Rich.d 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 David Burnes of Prince Georges County & State of Maryland am held and firmly bound unto Robert Peter of Montgomery County & State aforesaid in the just and full sum of two hundred & three pounds eight shillings & six pence current money of Maryland to be paid unto the said Robert Peter his certain attorney executors, administrators and assigns. To the which payment well and truly to be made and done I bind myself my Heirs, executors, administrators, jointly and severally firmly by these presents, sealed with my seal, and dated this twelfth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five. The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound David Burnes do and shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid,

paid, unto the said Robert Peter his certain attorney, executors administrators or assigns, the just and full sum of one hundred & one pounds fourteen shillings and three pence money aforesaid on or before the day of next ensuing the date hereof with legal interest thereon from the date; then the above obligation to be void and of no effect else to remain in full force and virtue in Law.

Signed Sealed and Delivered } David Burnes (Seal)
in the presence of. }
John Burnes }
Thomas Peter }

A Copy of the aforegoing declaration and Bond was made and sent with the writ which issued in the plea aforesaid.

At which said second tuesday of October being the thirteenth day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five, and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ, comes into the General Court here the said Robert Peter by his attorney aforesaid, and the Sheriff of Prince Georges County to wit, William John Jackson to whom the said writ was in form aforesaid directed, likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here, thus endorsed to wit.

NB Wm. Jn. Jackson Shff.

And afterwards to wit, on the ninth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five, the said Robert Peter by his attorney aforesaid again sued 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 form following to wit.

The State of Maryland &c. To the Sheriff of Prince Georges County Greeting; we command you that you take David Burnes late of Prince Georges County Gentleman, otherwise called David Burnes 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 May next to answer unto Robert Peter of a plea that he render unto him the full and just sum of two hundred and three pounds eight shillings and six pence Current money which

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