to him he owes and from him unjustly detains and soforth
Hereof fail not at your peril and have you then and
there this writ. Witness the Honorable Samuel Chase
Esquire, Chief Judge of our said Court the 30th day of
October anno Domini 1795. Issued the 9th day of November 1795
P.B.H, John Gwinn Clk.

And the said Robert Peter by his attorney aforesaid
had a Copy of the aforegoing declaration and Bond
made and sent with the writ, which issued in the
plea aforesaid.

At which said second tuesday of May being the tenth
day of the same month in the year of our Lord, one
thousand seven hundred and ninety six, 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, Joseph
Boone, to whom the said writ was in form aforesaid
directed, likewise comes and makes return thereof to the
Court here, thus endorsed to wit.

Cepi Copy left Jan 26th Jo. Boone Shff.

And the said David Burnes by Luther Martin his
attorney pursuant to the return aforesaid, comes into Court
here, and thereupon, on motion of the said Robert Peter by
his attorney aforesaid, it is ruled by the Court here, that the
said David Burnes answer to the declaration aforesaid of
the said Robert Peter in the plea aforesaid, or else Judgment
will be rendered against him in default thereof:

And the said David Burnes by his attorney aforesaid
defends the force and injury when and soforth, and
prays leave of the Court here to Imparle until the second
tuesday of October next; and then to answer the declaration
aforesaid of the said Robert Peter in the plea aforesaid
and to him it is granted, the same day is given to
the said Robert Peter 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, to which said day the said David Burnes
had,

had leave to Imparle and then to answer the declaration aforesaid
of the said Robert Peter in the plea aforesaid, comes again into the
General Court here as well the said Robert Peter by his attorney aforesaid
as the said David Burnes by his attorney aforesaid: and the said
David Burnes by his attorney aforesaid as before defends the force
and injury when and soforth, and saith that the said Robert
Peter his action aforesaid against him to have or maintain
ought not, because he saith that he the said David Burnes
did pay unto the said Robert Peter 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 said Robert
Peter his action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought
and soforth and the said Robert Peter by his attorney aforesaid
saith that he by any thing by the said David Burnes above
in pleading alleged from having or maintaining his action
aforesaid against him ought not to be precluded because he
saith, that the said David Burnes did not pay unto him the
said Robert Peter the said sum of money in the condition
aforesaid mentioned with the Interest thereon in manner
and form as the said David Burnes above by pleading
hath alleged, and this he prays may be enquired of by the Country
And the said David Burnes in like manner and soforth:
Therefore let a Jury thereon come before the Court here on the
second tuesday of May next, by whom and soforth, and who
neither and soforth, to recognize and soforth, because as well and
soforth, the same day is given to the parties aforesaid there and
there and soforth.

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 into the
General Court here as well the said Robert Peter by his attorney
aforesaid as the said David Burnes by his attorney aforesaid:
and the said David Burnes by his attorney aforesaid, relinquishing
the avrment above by him in pleading pretended, saith that
he cannot deny the action aforesaid of the said Robert Peter
as aforesaid against him brought, nor but that he owe
to,