Johnson of Prince Georges County was summoned to answer unto John Perrie of a plea, that he render unto him the full & just sum of three hundred and twenty two pounds ten shillings Current money which to him he owes and unjustly detains and so forth.

And whereupon the said John by Philip Barton Key attorney saith that whereas the aforesaid Rinaldo on the twelfth day of January in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety six at the County aforesaid by his certain writing obligatory acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto him the aforesaid John in the aforesaid sum of three hundred and twenty two pounds ten shillings Current money to be paid to him the said John when afterwards he should be thereunto required.

Nevertheless the aforesaid Rinaldo (although often thereunto required) the aforesaid sum of three hundred and twenty two pounds ten shillings Current money to him the said John 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 John saith he is the worse and hath damage to the value of six 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 Rinaldo which the debt aforesaid in form aforesaid witnesseth, the date whereof is the day and year aforesaid and so forth.

Philip B Key for the Plff. } John Doe, and
Redges, and so forth. } 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 We Rinaldo Johnson and Levin Covington Wailes of Prince Georges County are held and firmly bound unto John Perrie Administrator of John Perrie (deceased) in the just and full sum of Three hundred and twenty two pounds ten shillings Current money of Maryland to be paid unto the said John Perrie his Certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators and Assigns, To the which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves our heirs Executors & Administrators in and for the whole jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this Twelfth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety six.

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The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound Rinaldo Johnson do and shall well and truly pay, or cause to be paid unto the said John Perrie Administrator as aforesaid his certain Attorney, Executors & Administrators or Assigns the just and full sum of one hundred and sixty one pounds ten shillings current money at or upon the twelfth Day of January 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 & delivered in the presence of Notley & Maddox } Rin.do Johnson (Seal) Levin Covington Wailes (Seal)

Copies of which said declaration and oyer were made and sent to the sheriff of 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 ninth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ, comes into the General Court here the said John Perrie by Philip Barton Key his attorney aforesaid and the sheriff of Prince Georges County aforesaid to wit, Joseph Boone, Gentleman to whom the said foregoing writ was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit.

Cepi Copy left 25th April Joseph Boone Shff.

And the said Rinaldo Johnson being called upon appears in Court here by William Hilty his attorney and says that he cannot deny the action deny the action aforesaid of the said John Perrie so as aforesaid against him brought nor but that he owes to the said John Perrie the said sum of three hundred and twenty two pounds ten shillings Current money in manner and form aforesaid as the said John Perrie above against him hath declared.

Therefore it is considered by the Court Here that the said John Perrie recover against the said Rinaldo Johnson as well the sum of three hundred and twenty two pounds current money, his debt aforesaid in form aforesaid as also the quantity of six hundred and thirty seven pounds of tobacco by the Court here unto him the said John Perrie on his assent adjudged for his damages which he hath sustained, as well

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