Beatty late of Montgomery County Merchant if he shall be found in your bailiwick and him safe kep, 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 David Williamson of a plea of Trespass on the case and so forth. Hereof fail not at your peril and have you then and there this writ. Witness the honorable Robert Goldsborough Esquire chief Judge of our said Court the 12th day of December Anno Domini 1796.

Issued the 2d day of March 1797.

(J R W) Jno Gwinn Clk.

And the said David Williamson by his attorney aforesaid on the day of the date and issuing of the aforegoing writ, filed in Court here his Declaration against the said Thomas J. Beatty in the plea aforesaid and the oyer of the Note thereto annexed, a Copy whereof was made and sent with the said writ to the Sheriff of the County aforesaid in form following to wit.

Western Shore of the State of Maryland to Thomas J. Beatty late of Montgomery County merchant was attached to answer unto David Williamson of a plea of Trespass on the case and so forth. And whereupon the said David by Jonathan R. Wilmer his attorney complains that whereas the said Thomas after the first day of May seventeen hundred and five to wit, on the Twenty ninth day of August seventeen hundred and ninety six, at the County aforesaid made his certain note in writing called a promissory note with his hand thereto subscribed bearing date the day and year last aforesaid and the said note to the said David then and there delivered by which said Note the said Thomas promised to pay unto him the said David the sum of four hundred and fourteen pounds four shillings and one penny Current Money by reason whereof and also by force of the Statute in such case lately made & provided the said Thomas became liable for, and chargeable to pay to him the said David the aforesaid sum of Current Money to wit, on the day and year last aforesaid at the County aforesaid in consideration thereof upon himself assumed and to the said David then and there faithfully promised that he the said Thomas the

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aforesaid sum of Current money to him would well and truly content and pay when afterwards he should be thereunto required: Nevertheless the said Thomas his promise and assumption so as aforesaid made not regarding but fraudulently intending him the said David in the premises craftily and subtilly to deceive and defraud the said sum of Current money or any part thereof to the said David he hath not rendered or paid and hitherto has refused to render or pay and still doth refuse to the Damage of the said David in the sum of One thousand pounds Current money and therefore he brings suit & so forth

Jan. R. Wilmer for the Plff. Pledges &c. John Doe, & Richard Roe.

(Oyer of the Note)

Geo. Town Mary. 29th 1796. On demand I promise to pay Mr. David Williamson or order, the above sum Balance of four hundred and fourteen pounds four shillings & one penny Curren J. for value rec. with legal interest for the same from the first day of April last until paid.

Thos. J. Beatty

At which 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, and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ, comes into the General Court here, the said David Williamson by his attorney aforesaid and the Sheriff of Montgomery County 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 6th April. Benj. Ray Junr. Sheriff

And the said Thomas J. Beatty by James Cook his attorney appears in Court here, And thereupon on motion of the said David Williamson by his attorney aforesaid, It is ruled by the Court here that the said Thomas J. Beatty give special bail in the plea aforesaid; Whereupon the said Thomas J. Beatty by his attorney aforesaid files in Court here his Bail piece (which is approved by the Court here) in form following to wit. David Williamson Plaintiff against Thomas J. Beatty Defendant You Adam Ring and Charles A Beatty do jointly and severally acknowledge yourselves special Bail for the said Thomas J. Beatty at the suit of the said David Williamson in an action of Trespass on the case brought by the said David Williamson against the said Thomas J. Beatty in the General Court. They acknowledge

(themselves)