themselves to be content therewith this first day of May 1797.
Before Dan.l Reintzell, Lloyd Beall.

To the honorable the Judges of the General Court
I do hereby authorise & empower James Cook Esquire to
appear for me in the above suit. Tho.s J. Beatty

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 Answer to the Declaration
aforesaid of the said David Williamson in the plea
aforesaid; or Judgment by the Court here will be given
and entered against him in default hereof; And the said
Thomas J. Beatty by his attorney aforesaid defends the
force and injury when and so forth; and prays leave of
the Court here to imparle until the second Tuesday of
October next, and then to answer to the Declaration
aforesaid of the said David Williamson in the plea aforesaid.
And to him it is granted, the same day is given to the said
David Williamson also.

At which said second Tuesday of October being the
Tenth day of the same month in the year of our Lord one
thousand seven hundred and ninety seven, to which
said day the said Thomas J Beatty had leave to imparle
and then to answer come again into the General Court
here, as well the said David Williamson by his attorney
aforesaid, as the said Thomas J. Beatty by his attorney
aforesaid; And the said Thomas J. Beatty by his attorney aforesaid
(as before) defends the force and injury when and so forth,
and saith that he did not assume upon himself in manner
and form as the said David above against him hath
complained and of this he puts himself upon the Country
and so forth. And the said Thomas by his said attorney
the leave of the Court being first had and obtained here
and according to the form of the Statute in such case
made and provided further defends the force and injury
when and so forth, and saith that the said David his Action
aforesaid thereof against him to have or maintain ought
not because he saith that he did not assume upon himself
at any time within three years next before the day of the
impetration of the original writ of him the said David
in manner and form as the said David above against him
(hath)

hath complained and this he is ready to verify wherefore he
prays judgment if the said David his action aforesaid thereof
against him to have or maintain ought and so forth. And the
said Thomas by his said attorney the leave of the Court being first
had and obtained here according to the form of the Statute
in such case made and provided further defends the force and
injury when and so forth, and saith that the said David
Williamson his Action aforesaid thereof against him to have or
maintain ought not because he saith that the writ original
of him the said David was impetrated on the Twenty eighth
day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven
hundred and ninety seven and not before and that the
cause of action upon which the said David above hath
declared did not accrue within three years next before
the impetration of the writ original aforesaid and this he
is ready to verify: wherefore he prays judgment if the said
David his action aforesaid thereof against him to have or
maintain ought and so forth. – And the said David William-
-son by his attorney aforesaid as to the first plea of the said
Thomas J. Beatty above by pleading hath alledged in like
manner and so forth. And the said David by his attorney
aforesaid as to the second plea of the said Thomas above by
pleading hath alledged, saith that he, by any thing by the
said Thomas in his said second plea, ought not to be
precluded from having or maintaining his action aforesaid
against the said Thomas, because he saith that the said
Thomas did within three years next before the day of the
issuing of the original writ of him the said David against the
said Thomas in this cause, undertake and promise in manner
and form as he the said David, above against him hath
complained; and this the said David prays may be enquired
of by the Country; And the said Thomas in like manner and
so forth. And the said David by his attorney aforesaid, as
to the third plea of the said Thomas above by pleading hath
alledged, saith that he, by any thing by the said Thomas in
his said third plea, ought not to be precluded from having
or maintaining his action aforesaid against the said Thomas,
because he saith, that the cause of action of him the said
David stated in the Declaration of him the said David did
accrue within three years next before the day of the issuing
(of)