Maryland of Capias ad respondendum directed to the Sheriff of Washington County in form following to wit.

The State of Maryland &c. To the Sheriff of Washington County, Greeting. We command you that you take Erasmus Gantt and Thomas Gantt late of Washington County planters, otherwise called Erasmus Gantt and Thomas Gantt of Prince Georges County in the State of Maryland, if they shall be found in your bailiwick and them safe keep, so that you have their bodies before the Judges of our General Court, to be held at the City of Annapolis on the second tuesday of October next, to answer unto David Crawford and Clement Hill of a plea that they render unto them the full and just sum of Two hundred pounds current money which to them they owe and unjustly detain 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 25th day of June Anno domini 1796

Filed the 22d day of August 1796. (W. K.) Jno Gwinn Clk

And the said David Crawford and Clement Hill by their Attorney aforesaid, on the day of the date and issuing of the aforegoing writ, filed in Court here a Declaration and Copy of Bond; Copies whereof were made and sent with the said writ to the Sheriff of the County aforesaid in form following to wit.

Western Shore, State of Maryland, Washington County, ss Erasmus Gantt and Thomas Gantt late of Washington County planter, otherwise called Erasmus Gantt and Thomas Gantt of Prince Georges County in the State of Maryland, were summoned to answer unto David Crawford and Clement Hill of a plea, that they render unto them the full and just sum of Two hundred pounds current money which to them they owe and unjustly detain and so forth.

And whereupon the said David and Clement by William Kelly their Attorney say that whereas the aforesaid Erasmus and Thomas on the Twenty seventh day of March in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety three, at Washington County aforesaid, by their certain writing Obligatory, acknowledge themselves to be held and firmly bound unto them the aforesaid David and Clement in the aforesaid sum of Two hundred pounds current money to be paid to them the said David and Clement when afterwards they should be thereunto required: Nevertheless the

(aforesaid)

aforesaid Erasmus and Thomas (although often thereunto required) the aforesaid sum of Two hundred pounds current money, to them the said David and Clement have not rendered or paid, but the same to them hitherto to render or pay they have altogether refused, and still do refuse; wherefore the said David and Clement say they are the worse and have damage to the value of three hundred pounds current money aforesaid and therefore they bring suit and so forth, and bring here into Court the writing obligatory aforesaid, sealed with the seal of the aforesaid Erasmus and Thomas which the Debt aforesaid, in form aforesaid witnesseth the date whereof is the day and year aforesaid and so forth.

W. Kelly for the Pltff. Pledges and so forth John Doe, & Richard Roe.

Know all Men by these presents, that we Erasmus Gantt and Thomas Gantt of Prince Georges County in the State of Maryland are held and firmly bound unto David Crawford and Clement Hill of said County and State in the full and just sum of Two hundred pounds current money to be paid to the said David Crawford & Clement Hill or their certain Attorney Exrs Administrators or assigns for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves our Heirs Exrs and admrs firmly by these presents. Sealed with our Seals and dated this 27th day of March 1793.

The Condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bound Erasmus Gantt and Thomas Gantt shall well and truly pay and satisfy the said David Crawford and Clement Hill their Heirs Exrs Admrs or assigns the full and just sum of One hundred pounds current money with legal interest for the same from the date hereof on demand then the above Obligation to be void else to remain & be in full force & virtue in Law.

Witness John Eastwood. Erasmus Gantt (Seal)
Thomas Gantt (Seal)

A Duplicate of the said Writ, Declaration and Bond was also made and sent to the Sheriff of Prince Georges County in form aforesaid

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, and the day of the return of the aforegoing writs, come into the General Court here, the said David Crawford and Clement Hill by their Attorney aforesaid, and the Sheriff of Washington County to wit, Aezin Davis to whom the said writ was in form aforesaid directed, likewise comes and makes return thereof to the

(Court)