three thousand pounds Current Money which to them he owes and unjustly detains &c. for this to wit that he the said James on the twenty fourth day of September seventeen hundred and ninety five at the County aforesaid by his certain writing Obligatory sealed with the seal of the said James and here with into Court brought whose date is on the same day and year aforesaid and which the Debt aforesaid in form aforesaid Witnesseth. Acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto the said James Carroll and John Scott in the aforesaid Sum of three thousand pounds Current Money aforesaid to be paid to them the said James Carroll and John Scott when afterwards he should be thereto required. Nevertheless the said James altho often thereto requested hath not contented or paid the said sum of three thousand pounds current Money aforesaid or any part thereof to the James and John but the same sum or any part thereof to them the said James and John to content or pay he the said James hath hitherto wholly refused and still doth refuse to the damage of the James and John in the sum of five thousand pounds Current Money of Maryland wherefore they bring Suit and so forth.

N. Brice Atty for Pltff. pledges &c. so forth John Doe and Richd. Roe

Baltimore County State of Maryland Know all Men by these presents that we James Gittings Junior, William Goodwin and Lyde Goodwin all of the County & State aforesaid are held and firmly bound unto James Carroll and John Scott Trustees for the State of the undivided real Estate of Captain Charles Ridgely late of Baltimore County deceased under a decree of the High Court of Chancery of the State of Maryland bearing date the eighth day of July in the year Seventeen hundred and ninety four in the sum of three thousand pounds Current Money of Maryland to be paid to the said James Carroll and John Scott or either of them or the survivor of them or their certain attorney or assigns for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves and each of us our and each of our heirs Executors administrators firmly by these presents sealed with our Seals, dated this twenty fourth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five. The Condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bound James Gittings Junior William Goodwin & Lyde Goodwin or either of them their or either of their heirs Executors or administrators do and shall well & truly pay or cause to be paid

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unto the above named James Carroll & John Scott Trustees as aforesaid or either of them or the Survivor of them or their certain attorney or assigns the sum of one thousand three hundred and seventy eight seven shillings & nine pence Current Money aforesaid with legal Interest for the same from the date hereof to be paid yearly & every year on or before the twenty fourth day of September in the year seventeen hundred and ninety seven then this Obligation to be void of none effect else to remain in full force and virtue.

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of James Baker } James Gittings Junior (Seal) Mrs. Goodwin (Seal) Lyde Goodwin (Seal)

At which said second Tuesday of May being the eighth day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight come into the General Court here as well the said James Carroll and John Scott by their attorney aforesaid. And the Sheriff of Baltimore County to whom the said Bill was made and sent likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit.

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And the said James Gittings Junior by Luther Martin his attorney appears in Court here. And thereupon on motion of the said James Carroll and John Scott by their attorney aforesaid It is ruled by the Court here that the said James Gittings Junior Answer to the Bill aforesaid of the said James Carroll and John Scott in the plea aforesaid or judgment by the Court here will be rendered against him in default hereof and the said James Gittings Junior 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 Bill aforesaid of the said James Carroll and John Scott in the plea aforesaid and to him it is granted, the same day is given to the said James Carroll and John Scott also.

At which said second Tuesday of October being the ninth day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight to which said day the said James Gittings Junior had leave to Imparle and then to answer come again into the General Court here as well the said James Carroll and John Scott by their attorney aforesaid as the said James Gittings Junior by his attorney aforesaid. And the said James Gittings Junior by his attorney aforesaid (as before) defends the

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