The State of Maryland at the instance and for the use of Roger Nelson admnr of Joseph Sim. against Peter Wood Junior.

Be it remembered, that heretofore to wit, on the Thirtieth day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety six; The State of Maryland by William Cooke its attorney sued forth out of the General Court here, the writ of the State of Maryland of Capias ad respondendum, against Peter Wood Junior, directed to the Sheriff of Prince Georges County in form following to wit. — The State of Maryland Sc. To the Sheriff of Prince Georges County, Greeting. We command you that you take Peter Wood Junior late of Prince Georges County planter, otherwise called Peter Wood Junior of Prince Georges County if he shall be found in your Bailiwick, and him safe keep 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 October next, to answer unto the State of Maryland of a plea that he render unto said State the full and just sum of One thousand and forty eight pounds five shillings and six pence current money which to the said State he owes & unjustly detains 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 10th day of May anno dominii 1796. — Issued the 30th day of May 1796. — W. Cooke.

Jno. Irwin Clk. — Whereupon the said State of Maryland by its attorney aforesaid, declared against the said Peter Wood Junior in the plea aforesaid in form following (a copy whereof was made and sent with the said writ to the Sheriff of the County aforesaid, endorsed, to be served on the Defendant with the writ a left at his last place of abode at least twenty days before the sitting of the Court) to wit. — Western Shore, State of Maryland, Prince Georges County Sc. Peter Wood Junior late of Prince Georges County planter, otherwise called Peter Wood Junior of Prince Georges County was summoned to answer unto the State of Maryland of a plea that he render unto said State the full and just sum of One thousand and forty eight pounds five shillings and six pence current money which to the said State he owes & unjustly detains and so forth: And whereupon the said State of Maryland who in this behalf prosecuteth by William Cooke her attorney saith that whereas the aforesaid Peter on the fourteenth day of September in the year One thousand seven hundred and ninety three at Prince Georges County aforesaid, by his certain writing Obligatory acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto the aforesaid State of Maryland in the said sum of One thousand and forty eight pounds five shillings and six pence current money to be paid to the said State of Maryland when afterwards he should be thereunto required. Nevertheless the aforesaid Peter (although often thereunto required) the aforesaid sum of current money to the said State of Maryland hath not rendered a paid, but the same sum of current money to the said State hitherto to render a pay he hath altogether refused, and still doth refuse; Wherefore

the said William Cooke who in this behalf prosecuteth for said State saith the said State is the worse, and hath damage to the value of one thousand pounds current money and therefore the said State brings Suit, and so forth; and brings here into Court the writing obligatory aforesaid, sealed with the Seal of the aforesaid Peter which the Debt aforesaid, in form aforesaid, witnesseth, the date whereof is the day and year aforesaid, and so forth. Pledges, and so forth John Doe and Richard Roe. — W. Cooke for the Plaintiff. — —

Know all Men by these presents, that we Thomas Gantt, James Newburn and Peter Wood Junior of Prince Georges County are held and firmly bound unto the State of Maryland in the full and just sum of One thousand and forty eight pounds five shillings and six pence to be paid unto the said State of Maryland To which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves and each of us, our and each of our Heirs, Executors and Administrators jointly and severally for and in the whole, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this fourteenth day of September in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety three. — Now the Condition of the above Obligation is such, that if the above bound Thomas Gantt, James Newburn & Peter Wood Junr. shall well and truly pay, or cause to be paid, unto the said State of Maryland the full and just sum of Five hundred and twenty four pounds two shillings & nine pence — agreeably to an Act entitled An Act to appoint an agent for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety three, passed at November session seventeen hundred and ninety two, then the above Obligation to be void and of none effect, else to remain in full force and virtue in Law.

Thos. Gantt (Seal). — James Newburn (Seal). Peter Wood Jun (Seal)

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the presence of Robt. Boone. Chas. Gantt. — At which said second tuesday of October in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety six, being the day of the return of the aforegoing writ, comes into the General Court here, the said State of Maryland by its attorney aforesaid, and the Sheriff of Prince Georges County to whom the said writ was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here, thus endorsed to wit. N.C. — S. Boone, Sheriff. Whereupon on the Thirteenth day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety six, the said State of Maryland by its attorney aforesaid again sued forth out of the General Court here, the writ of the State of Maryland of Capias ad respondendum against the said Peter Wood Junior, directed to the Sheriff of Prince Georges County in form following to wit. — The State of Maryland Sc. To the Sheriff of Prince Georges County Greeting. We command you that you take Peter Wood Junior late of Prince Georges County planter, otherwise called Peter Wood Junior of Prince Georges County, if he shall be found in your Bailiwick and him safe keep, 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 the State of Maryland of a plea, that he render unto