Come to the hands or possession of the said Hannah West or into the hands and possession of any other person or persons for her do well and truely administer according to law Viz: shall pay the debts of the said deceased so far forth as the said Goods Chattels and Credits will extend and the law will charge as also all such reasonable charges and fees as have arisen or shall arise or become due to any of the States officers from the said Hannah West on account of the said deceased or his Estate and further do make or cause to be made a true and just account of her administration on or before the second day of April next and all the rest and residue of the said Goods Chattels and Credits which shall be found remaining upon the said Executrix's account the same being first examined and adjusted by the Judge or Judges for the time being of the said Court do distribute or dispose of according to law and the true intent and meaning of the last will and testament of the said deceased and lastly do at all and every time and times hereafter clearly discharge and save harmless the States Justices and all other officers and ministers from all persons having or pretending to have any right title or interest to the said Goods and Chattels then this obligation to be void else to remain in full force and virtue in Law.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the presence of Sam: Tyler Reg:

Hannah West (seal)
Stephen West (seal)
Benjamin Oden (seal)

Which being read and heard the said Hannah West says that the said State of Maryland her action thereupon against her to have or maintain ought not; because she saith that she the said Hannah West in the Condition of the said writing obligatory mentioned from the time of making the said writing obligatory hitherto hath well and truely observed performed fulfilled and kept all and singular the matters and things in the Condition of the said writing obligatory thereof ought to have observed performed fulfilled and kept to wit, at Prince Georges County aforesaid and this she is ready to verify; wherefore she prays Judgment if the said State of Maryland ought to have or maintain her action aforesaid against her the said Hannah West and so forth.

And the said State of Maryland by her attorney aforesaid prays leave of the Court here to Imparle until the second Tuesday of May next and then to reply to the answer aforesaid of the said Hannah West in the plea aforesaid and to her it is granted the same day is given to the said Hannah West also. Thereupon further process of and upon the premises between the

the parties aforesaid by order of the Court here thereon is contained until the second tuesday of May next following.

At which said second Tuesday of May being the fourteenth day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine to which said day the said State of Maryland had leave to imparle comes again into the General Court here as well the aforesaid State of Maryland by her attorney aforesaid as the said Hannah West by her attorneys aforesaid.

And thereupon on motion of the said Hannah West by her attorney aforesaid It is ruled by the Court here that the said State of Maryland reply to the answer aforesaid of the said Hannah West in the plea aforesaid or Judgment by the Court here will be entered against the said State in default thereof; And the said State of Maryland by her attorney aforesaid prays further leave of the Court here to Imparle until the second Tuesday of October next and then to reply to the answer aforesaid of the aforesaid Hannah West in the plea aforesaid and to the said State of Maryland it is granted the same day is given to the aforesaid Hannah West also. Thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by order of the Court here thereon is further Continued until the said second Tuesday of October then next following.

At which said second Tuesday of October being the Eighth day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine to which said day the said State of Maryland had further leave to Imparle and then to reply to the answer aforesaid of the aforesaid Hannah West in the plea aforesaid comes again into the General Court here as well the said State of Maryland by her attorney aforesaid as the said Hannah West by her attornies aforesaid. Thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by Consent of the said parties and their attornies aforesaid and by order of the Court here thereon is further considered until the second tuesday of May then next following.

And now at this day to wit the said second Tuesday of May being the thirteenth day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred comes again into the General Court here as well the aforesaid State of Maryland by her attorney aforesaid as the said Hannah West by her attorney's aforesaid and the said Hannah West by her attornies aforesaid relinquishing the averment aforesaid above by her pretended says that she cannot deny the action aforesaid of the aforesaid State of Maryland so as aforesaid against her brought nor but that she owes