The State of Maryland, Set. To the Sheriff of Baltimore County Greeting, You are hereby commanded to take Aquila Miles late of Baltimore County Merchant, if he shall be found in your Bailiwick and him safe keep, so that you have his body before the Judges of the General Court, to be held at the City of Annapolis on the second Tuesday of May next, to answer unto William Harrison of a plea that he render unto him the sum of One hundred and forty two pounds one shilling and seven pence Current money of Maryland which to him he owes and unjustly detains and so forth.

Hereof fail not at your peril, and have you then and there this Writ, Witness the Honourable Robert Goldsborough Esquire Chief Judge of the said Court, the ninth day of October Anno Domini 1798.

Issued the 12th day of January 1799. Ss. I. McGwinn Clerk

And the aforesaid William Harrison by his Attorney aforesaid on the day of the issuing of the aforesaid Writ filed in Court here the following Declaration and Oyer of Bill, a Copy whereof was made and Sent with the said Writ, to the Sheriff of the County aforesaid, to wit,

In the General Court for the Western Shore of Maryland.

Baltimore County, to wit. Aquila Miles late of Baltimore County Merchant, was Summoned to answer William Harrison of a plea that he render unto him the sum of One hundred and forty two pounds One shilling and seven pence Current money of Maryland which to him he owes and unjustly detains and so forth;

And Whereupon the said William by Samuel Johnson his Attorney Complains that whereas the said Aquila on the Thirty first day of July in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and ninety eight, at the County aforesaid, by his Certain Writing Obligatory Sealed with the Seal of the said Aquila and unto the Court herewith shewn whose date is on the day and year aforesaid promised to pay unto the said William or Order the aforesaid sum of One hundred and forty two pounds one shilling and seven pence for value received in Ninety days after the date thereof. Nevertheless the said Aquila altho' oftentimes thereto requested hath not paid the sum of money aforesaid or any part thereof to the said William but he hath hitherto altogether refused to pay the same and still doth refuse, to the Damage of the said William Two hundred pounds like money aforesaid and Thereupon he brings his Suit and so forth.

Samuel Johnston for Plff. Pledges to prosecute { John Doe and Richard Roe

(Oyer of the writing Obligatory aforesaid)

£142. 1. 7. Ninety days after date I promise to pay William Harrison or Order the just and full sum of One hundred and forty two pounds one shilling and seven pence for value received, As Witness my hand and (Seal)

Seal this 31st July 1798

Witness John Grover. Aquila Miles (Seal)

At which mentioned 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, and the day of the return of the aforegoing Writ, Comes into the General Court the aforesaid William Harrison by Samuel Johnston his Attorney aforesaid, and the Sheriff of Baltimore County aforesaid to wit, Cornelius H. Gist Gentleman, to whom the said aforegoing Writ was in form aforesaid directed likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit,

"Cepi" Copy served 5th April B. & piece and power to A.S.

Cornelius H. Gist Sheriff

And the said Aquila Miles by Robert Smith his Attorney appears in Court here, and thereupon on motion of the aforesaid William Harrison by his Attorney aforesaid, It is ruled by the Court here, that the said Aquila Miles, that the said Aquila Miles give Special Bail to the Action aforesaid in the plea aforesaid; whereupon the said Aquila Miles by his Attorney aforesaid files in Court here the following Bail Piece to wit.

William Harrison against Aquila Miles { Now William Hutchins and William Slade do jointly and Severally acknowledge ourselves Special Bail for Aquila Miles at the Suit of William Harrison in an Action of Debt, and so forth, brought by the said William Harrison against the said Aquila Miles in the General Court for the Western Shore, to be held in the City of Annapolis, the second Tuesday of May next, They acknowledge themselves content therewith, this tenth day of April Seventeen hundred and ninety nine,

Acknowledged before Rob. Gorsuch
Geo. Goldsb. Prec. Curry

I Aquila Miles empower authorise and appoint Robert Smith Esquire to appear for me in the above Action — Given under my hand Seal, this 10th day of April Seventeen hundred and ninety nine

Witness William Hutchins. Aquila Miles (Seal)

To the Honourable The Judges of the General Court

And Thereupon on motion of the aforesaid William Harrison by his Attorney aforesaid, It is ruled by the Court here, that the said Aquila Miles answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid William Harrison in the plea aforesaid or Judgment by the Court here will be entered against him in default thereof; And the said Aquila Miles 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 aforesaid William