in form following, to wit. – Know all Men by these presents that we Christopher Hughes, John Scott and Thomas Kennedy all of the City of Baltimore in the State of Maryland are held and firmly bound unto Bennett Wheeler of Harford County and State aforesaid in the just and full sum of One thousand Dollars current money to be paid to the said Bennett Wheeler or his certain Attorney his Executors administrators or assigns 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 firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated the Twenty sixth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and one: Whereas the above named Bennett Wheeler hath heretofore obtained out of the General Court of the State of Maryland held at Annapolis for the Western Shore of Maryland the States writ directed to the Sheriff of Baltimore County commanding him to be caused to be replevied and delivered to the aforesaid Bennet Wheeler two negro Slaves called Sam and Phill which he alleged the above named Christopher Hughes took and unjustly detained: And whereas by virtue of the said writ, the Sheriff of Baltimore County did cause the said negroes to be replevied and delivered to the said Bennett Wheeler as by said writ he was commanded; and whereas the above named Christopher Hughes hath appeared in the General Court of the State of Maryland held at Annapolis for the Western Shore of Maryland to the said writ of Replevin and on his prayer the said Court hath awarded that the said negroes should be returned to the above named Christopher Hughes on his giving Bond to the said Bennett Wheeler with security to make return of the said negroes to the said Bennett Wheeler if return thereof should be adjudged and the above named Christopher Hughes is about to prosecute the State's writ of Returno Habendo to obtain a return of the said negroes to him: Now the Condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above named Christopher Hughes shall make return of the said negroes to the said Bennett Wheeler if the same shall be adjudged then the above Obligation to be void otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in Law. – Christopher Hughes (Seal) John Scott (Seal) Thomas Kennedy (Seal) – Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the presence of Jno. Wright. – Which being read and heard, and the securities in the said Bond approved of by the Court here: whereupon the said Bennet Wheeler by his attornies aforesaid confesses and acknowledges that the Christopher Hughes doth not detain from him

the said Bennett Wheeler the said negroe Slaves, nor but that the property of the said negroe slaves is in him the said Christopher Hughes, and that he have a return thereof to be detained to him the said Christopher Hughes irrepledgable for ever and so forth. – Therefore it is considered by the Court here, that the said Bennet Wheeler take nothing by his writ aforesaid, but that he be in mercy for his false claim thereof, and the said Christopher Hughes do go thereof without day, and that the said Christopher Hughes have a return of the Negroe Slaves aforesaid, to be detained to him irrepledgable for ever, and so forth: And it is also further considered by the Court here, that the said Christopher Hughes recover against the said Bennet Wheeler the quantity of Five hundred and eighty five pounds of tobacco, for his Costs and Charges by him about his defence in this behalf sustained, to the said Christopher Hughes by the Court now here adjudged, according to the form of the Statute in such Case made and provided, and that the said Christopher Hughes have thereof his Execution, and so forth. – Memorandum; The Defendant acknowledges himself to be in possession of the said property replevied. – Test. John Irvinn Clk. –

Bennet Wheeler
against
Francis Ignatius Mitchell

Be it remembered, that heretofore to wit, on the Twelfth day of November in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred; Bennet Wheeler by Aquila Hall and John Johnson his attornies, filed in the General Court here a certain writing obligatory, commonly called a Replevin Bond, and which is in form following, to wit. – Know all Men by these presents that we Bennet Wheeler, Henry Macatee and Francis Wheeler of Harford County and State of Maryland are held and firmly bound unto Francis Ignatius Mitchell of the City of Baltimore in the full and just sum of Five hundred pounds current money to be paid to the said Francis Ignatius Mitchell his certain attorney Heirs Executors administrators or assigns, to the which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves and every of us, our and every of our Heirs Executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents. sealed with our seals and dated this Seventh day of November in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred. – Whereas a certain Bennett Wheeler is about to sue out of the General Court of the Western Shore, the State of Maryland's writ of Replevin for the following negroes, to wit, a negro man named Tom, a negro woman named Nan and her two Children, Rachel