one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven the said Samuel Blair surviving executor of William Blair sued out of the High court of Chancery, the writ of the State of Maryland for the correcting of errors directed to the Worshipful the Justices of Frederick county Court in the words and of the tenor following to wit. Maryland Sc. The State of Maryland to the Worshipful Justices of Frederick county court Greeting. Because in the record and process and also in the rendering of Judgment on a certain action of debt brought by Walter Roe surviving obligee of Thomas Usher and Walter Roe against William Shields and Samuel Blair executors of William Blair for the sum of two hundred and seventy six pounds and four pence current money debt and four hundred and twenty three pounds of tobacco costs, at a county court held before you our said Justices at Frederick county aforesaid on the third tuesday of August in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and ninety, manifest error as it is said has happened to the great damage of the said Samuel Blair survivor of the aforesaid William Shields who is since deceased, as of his complaint we have received, and we being willing that the errors if any there be should be duly corrected and full and speedy Justice done to the said Samuel Blair, In this behalf command you that if Judgment be thereof rendered that then the record and process aforesaid with all things thereunto relating under your seals distinctly and openly you send and this writ so that the same may be had before the Judges of our General Court at Annapolis the second tuesday of May next that the record and process aforesaid being inspected into we may further do therein for correcting that error which of right and according to the laws and customs of this State may be done. Witness the Honourable Alexander Contee Hanson Chancellor this thirtieth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven

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At which said second tuesday of May being the eighth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ The worshipful the Justices of the county court of Frederick aforesaid to whom the said aforigoing writ was directed in pursuance of the command of the said writ and in virtue of the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided make return to the General Court here of the writ

aforesaid with a record of the proceedings thereto annexed the tenor whereof is as follows to wit. Maryland. Frederick county to wit. At a county court begun and held at the court house in Frederick Town in and for said County on the third tuesday and seventeenth day of August in the year seventeen hundred and ninety, Present the Worshipful Upton Sheredine, Jacob Young, William Beatty, William Murdock Beall, William Luckett, John Ross Key, George Scott William Magruder, Henry Darnall, George Murdock, John Gwynn Nicholas Hobbs, William Emmit, Stephen Winchester, and James Johnson Gentlemen Justices in and for the county aforesaid, duly commissioned and sworn Peter Mantz Esquire Sheriff —— William Ritchie clerk are the following proceedings (to wit,)

Walter Roe surviving obligee of Thomas Usher & Walter Roe against Samuel Blair and William Shields executors of William Blair

Judgment confessed

Be it remembered that heretofore to wit the twenty first day of February in the year seventeen hundred and eighty five command was given to the Sheriff of Frederick county that he should take Thomas Blair and William Shields and Samuel Blair late of Frederick county executors of the last will and testament of William Blair late of Frederick county deceased otherwise called William Blair of Frederick county and Province of Maryland Merchant if they should be found in his bailiwick and them safe keep so that he have their bodies before the Justices of the then next county court to be held at the court house in Frederick Town in said county on the third tuesday of March then next to answer unto Thomas Usher and Walter Roe by the name of Thomas Usher and Co: of a plea that they render unto them the sum of two hundred and seventy six pounds and four pence current money which from them they unjustly detain and so forth and that thereof he the said Sheriff should not fail at his peril and that he should have there then that writ and so forth

At which said third tuesday of March being the fifteenth day of the same month in the year seventeen hundred and eighty five and the day of the return of the aforegoing recited writ come the said Thomas Usher and Walter Roe by Richard Potts their attorney, and the Sheriff of Frederick county to whom the same writ was directed also comes and makes return thereof to the court thus endorsed to wit,

"Cepi Samᵉ Blair & Wᵐ Shields. N. E. Hannah. A. Fisher Sheriff.

And the said Thomas Usher and Walter Roe by their attorney aforesaid file in court their cause of action in the plea aforesaid which follows in these words and figures to wit, Know all men by these presents that I William Blair of Frederick county and Province of Maryland Merchant am held and firmly bound unto Thomas Usher & Co. of Baltimore County & (Province