Test Elish Edwards Zachariah his mark Linthicum (Seal)

Copies of which said Declaration and Oyer of Bill were made and sent to the Sheriff of the County aforesaid, with the said Writ, thereon endorsed, "To be served on the Defendant, with the Writ, or left at his place of abode, twenty days at least before the return of the said "Writ, for plea or Judgment the first Court.

At which mentioned second Tuesday of October, being the fourteenth day of the said month, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred; and the day of the return of the foregoing Writ, comes into the General Court here the aforesaid Benjamin Edwards by John Thomson Mason his Attorney aforesaid, And the Sheriff of Montgomery County aforesaid, to wit, Benjamin White Jones Gentleman, to whom the said foregoing Writ was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here, thus endorsed, to wit.—

Cepi Copy Cpt 19th Sept. B. W. Jones Shff.

And the said Zachariah Linthicum by Philip Barton Key his Attorney appears in Court here, And thereupon, on motion of the aforesaid Benjamin Edwards by his Attorney aforesaid, It is ruled by the Court here, that the said Zachariah Linthicum give Special bail in the plea aforesaid; Whereupon the said Zachariah Linthicum by his Attorney aforesaid, files in Court here a certain bail piece, and which being approved of by the Court here, is in form following to wit

Benjamin Edwards Plaintiff
against
Zachariah Linthicum Defendant

You John Linthicum and Thomas Linthicum do jointly and severally acknowledge yourselves Special bail for the said Zachariah Linthicum at the suit of the said Benjamin Edwards in an Action of Debt brought by the said Benjamin Edwards against the said Zachariah Linthicum in the General Court, They acknowledge themselves to be content therewith this 10th day of October 1800 Before John L Summers.
Elemelech Swearingen

To the honorable the Judges of the General Court.
I do hereby authorise and empower Philip B Key Esquire to appear for me in the above suit Zach. Linthicum.

And thereupon, on motion of the aforesaid Benjamin Edwards by his Attorney aforesaid, It is ruled by the Court here, that the said Zachariah Linthicum answer to the declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid Benjamin Edwards in the plea aforesaid, or Judgment by

the Court here will be entered against him in default thereof; And the said Zachariah Linthicum 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 May next, and then to answer to the declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid Benjamin Edwards in the plea aforesaid, and to him it is granted; the same day is given to the aforesaid Benjamin Edwards also.

At which said second Tuesday of May, being the twelfth day of the same month, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and one, to which said day the said Zachariah Linthicum had leave to imparle, and then to answer to the declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid Benjamin Edwards in the plea aforesaid, comes again into the General Court here, as well the aforesaid Benjamin Edwards by his Attorney aforesaid, as the said Zachariah Linthicum by his Attorney aforesaid And the said Zachariah Linthicum by his Attorney aforesaid, as before defends the force and injury, when and so forth, and saith that the aforesaid Benjamin Edwards his Action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought not and so forth, because he saith that he the said Zachariah Linthicum did pay unto the aforesaid Benjamin Edwards the said sum of Two hundred and four pounds and one penny half penny Current Money in the Bill obligatory aforesaid mentioned with legal Interest thereon according to the form and effect of the said Bill obligatory; and this he is ready to verify; wherefore he prays Judgment if the aforesaid Benjamin Edwards his Action aforesaid him to have or maintain ought and so forth.

And the aforesaid Benjamin Edwards by his Attorney aforesaid saith that he by any thing by the said Zachariah Linthicum above in pleading alledged from having and maintaining his Action aforesaid against him ought not to be precluded because he saith that the said Zachariah Linthicum did not pay unto him the aforesaid Benjamin Edwards the aforesaid sum of Two hundred and four pounds and one penny half penny current Money in the Bill obligatory aforesaid mentioned with the Interest thereon in manner and form as the said Zachariah Linthicum above by pleading hath alledged and this he prays may be enquired of by the Country, and the said Zachariah Linthicum in like manner and so forth; Therefore let a Jury thereon appear before the Court here, on the second Tuesday of October next, by whom and so forth; and who neither and so forth, to recognize and so forth, because as well and so forth, the same day is given to the said parties then and