appertains, and so forth, hereof fail not at your peril, and have you then and there this writ, Witness the honourable Jeremiah Townley Chase Esquire, Chief of the said General Court, the thirteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and one Issued the 24th day of April 1801 (J.J.) Jno. Gwinn Clk:

At which said second Tuesday of May being the twelfth day of the said month, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and one, and the return day of the foregoing writ, the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of Anne Arundel County Court, and the Sheriff of the said County, in obedience to the command contained in the said writ, to wit, the said Sheriff now here hath the body of the said Walter, Brooches and the said Chief Justice and Associate Justices certify and transmit to the Court here, a Record of the proceedings before the said County Court had, containing the cause of the Caption and detention of the said Walter Brooches in the plea aforesaid, and all things thereunto relating, and which said Record of proceedings is in form following to wit.

Ann Arundel County, sc. At a County Court of the State of Maryland begun and held at the city of Annapolis in and for the County aforesaid on the third Monday of April to wit, the 20th day of the same month in the year 1801.

Were Present.

The Worshipful Henry Ridgely Esq. Chief Justice.
Horatio Ridout Esq. Associate Justice
Henry Howard Gent. Sheriff Nich Harwood Clk.

In the Record of proceedings of the same Court is the following, to wit.

J.B. Thomas Contee
vs
J.J. Walter Brooches

Command was given to the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County that he should take Walter Brooches late of Ann Arundel County Yeoman if he should be found in his bailiwick and that him he should safe keep so that he might have his body before the Justices of our County Court to be held at Annapolis the third Monday of September then next to answer unto Thomas Contee of a plea that he perform to him the Covenant between them made according to the force form and effect of a certain Instrument of Writing between them made and so forth.

At which said third Monday of September to wit, the 16th day of the same month in the year Seventeen hundred and ninety nine (being)

being the day of the return of the aforegoing Writ comes the said Thomas Contee by Thomas Buchanan his Attorney And the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County to whom the same Writ was directed likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed, to wit.

Cepi John Welch Sheriff.

And the said Walter Brooches by John Johnson his Attorney comes and defends the force and injury when and so forth and prays leave to imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it, and the same day is given to the Plaintiff also.

At which said next Court, to wit, the third Monday in April eighteen hundred comes again the said parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attornies aforesaid, and the said Defendant by his said Attorney prays further leave to imparle hereunto until next Court and he hath it, and the same day is given to the Plaintiff also.

At which said next Court to wit the third Monday of September eighteen hundred comes again the said parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attornies aforesaid Thereupon the parties aforesaid agreeing to wave all discontinuances in this suit and to release all Errors of this Continuance further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by consent of the said parties by their Attornies aforesaid and by order of the Court here is continued untill next Court.

And the said Thomas Contee by his Attorney aforesaid declared against the said Walter Brooches in the plea aforesaid, as follows, to wit

Anne Arundel County, sc. Walter Brooches late of Ann Arundel County Yeoman was summoned to answer unto Thomas Contee of a plea that he perform to him to him the Covenant between them made according to the force form and effect of certain instrument of Writing between them made and so forth, And whereupon the said Thomas Contee by Thomas Buchanan his Attorney complains that whereas by a certain deed made at Anne Arundel County aforesaid on the tenth day of October Seventeen hundred and ninety five between the said Thomas Contee of the one part, and the said Walter Brooches of the other part, which said Deed signed and sealed by the said Walter the said Thomas brings here into Court the date whereof is the day and year aforesaid it is thereby Witnessed that the said Thomas had on the day aforesaid sold to the said Walter two lots or parcels of ground in Beatties and Hawkins addition to George Town being the same lots that were conveyed (to)