the said Nicholas by William McMechen his attorney says that whereas the aforesaid Samuel on the twenty sixth day of November in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight at Washington County aforesaid by his certain writing obligatory, acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto him the aforesaid Nicholas Kirby in the aforesaid full and just sum of one thousand pounds Current money to be paid to him the said Nicholas when afterwards he should be thereunto required. Nevertheless the aforesaid Samuel (although often thereunto required) the aforesaid sum of money to him the said Nicholas hath not rendered or paid, but the sum of money to him the said Nicholas hath not rendered or paid but the same sum of money to him the said Nicholas hitherto to render or pay he hath altogether refused and still doth refuse; wherefore the said Nicholas is the worse and hath damage to the value of one thousand pounds Current money and therefore he brings suit, and so forth; and brings here into Court the writing obligatory aforesaid, Sealed with the Seal of the aforesaid Samuel which the debt aforesaid in form aforesaid, Witnesseth the date whereof is the day and year aforesaid and so forth.

W. McMechen for the Plaintiff. Pledges and so forth. } John Doe and Richard Roe.

Oyer of Bond and Condition follow to wit.

Know all men by these presents that we Samuel Ringgold of Washington County, Tench Ringgold of Montgomery County and Thomas Ringgold of Baltimore County are held and firmly bound unto Nicholas Kirby for use of William Hawkins in the full and just sum of one thousand pounds current money to be paid to the said Kirby for the use aforesaid his certain Attorney Executors Administrators or Assigns To the which payment well and truly to be made and done we bind ourselves our heirs Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents, Sealed with our seals and dated this twenty sixth day of November anno domini seventeen hundred and ninety eight.

Whereas

Whereas the above bound named Nicholas Kirby for the use aforesaid obtained Judgment in the General Court for the western shore of the State of Maryland at October Term seventeen hundred and ninety seven against the said Thomas Ringgold for the sum of £497. 19.2 Current money and Costs, To be released on payment of £248.. 19.7 Current money with Interest thereon from the 16.th day of May 1796 and Costs from which said Judgment the said Thomas Ringgold is about to appeal. Now the Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound Thomas Ringgold shall not pursue the directions of the act of Assembly entitled "An act for regulating writs of error and granting Appeals from and to the Courts of Common Law within this province at the next Court of Appeals and prosecute the same writ with effect and also satisfy and pay unto the said Kirby for the use aforesaid his Executors Administrators or Assigns in case the said Judgment shall be affirmed as well all and singular the debt damages and Costs adjudged by the General Court aforesaid as also all Costs and damages that shall be awarded by the Court of Appeals aforesaid then this obligation to be and remain in full force and virtue otherwise of no effect.

Signed Sealed and delivered in presence of David Choat } Tho. Ringgold (seal) Sam.l Ringgold (seal) Ten. Ringgold (seal)

Copies of which said declaration and oyer 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 Nicholas Kirby by William McMechen his Attorney aforesaid; And the sheriff of Washington County aforesaid to wit, John Wagoner Gentleman to whom the said foregoing writ was in form aforesaid directed makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit.

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