shew cause if any thing for himself had or to say knew why our Commissioners aforesaid for our use should not have Execution of the Debt aforesaid against the Body Goods or Chattels Lands or Tenements Rights or Credits of the said Robert Mitchell according to the form of the Act of Assembly in such case provided if to him it should seem meet and that he should have then and there the names of those before whom he should make the same known unto him and this writ. Witness The Honourable Nicholas Thomas Esquire one of the Judges of said Court the 23d day of April Anno Domini 1779.

James Earle Clk.

Issued the 20th May 1779.

At which aforesaid second Tuesday of September seventeen hundred and seventy nine cometh the aforesaid Robert Couden and John Clapham by their Attorney aforesaid And the Sheriff of Worcester County aforesaid maketh return of the writ aforesaid in the words following to wit Nihil Benjn Purnall Sheriff.

At which aforesaid second Tuesday of September seventeen hundred and seventy nine cometh the aforesaid Robert Couden and John Clapham by their Attorney aforesaid Prayeth that the aforesaid Robert Mitchell to the writ of them the same Robert Couden and John Clapham may answer And the aforesaid Robert Mitchell altho' solemnly called cometh not nor to the writ of them the same Robert Couden and John Clapham doth answer but maketh Default.

Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the aforesaid Robert Couden and John Clapham do recover against against the said Robert Mitchell the sum of four hundred and fifty Pounds Sterling the Debt aforesaid as also.

for their Damages which they have sustained as well by occasion of the Detention of that Debt as for their Costs and Charges by them about their suit in this part appeared unto the aforesaid Robert Couden and John Clapham by the Court here adjudged &c.

James Earle Clk

Robert Couden & John Clapham against John Mitchell.	The State of Maryland sent to the Sheriff of Worcester County her close writ in the words following to wit:

The State of Maryland: To the Sheriff of Worcester County Greeting. Whereas it appears by the Records of our General Court for the Eastern Shore of Maryland that John Mitchell late of Worcester County Gentleman did by his certain writing obligatory now affiled of Record in the same Court bearing date the tenth day of April Anno Domini seventeen hundred and seventy acknowledge himself to be held and firmly bound unto Robert Couden and John Clapham Commissioners for emitting Bills of

Credit established by Act of Assembly of the Province of Maryland in the sum of four hundred and fifty Pounds Sterling. And whereas the said John Mitchell hath failed in the payment of the aforesaid sum of four hundred and fifty Pounds Sterling. And need now requires that the said writing obligatory be used for the better securing the said sum We do therefore hereby command you that by good and lawful Men of your bailiwick you make known to the said John Mitchell that he be and appear before the Judges of our said General Court for the Eastern Shore of Maryland to be held at Talbot County Court house the second Tuesday of April next to shew cause if any he hath why our Commissioners aforesaid for our use should not have Execution of the Debt aforesaid against the Body Goods or Chattels Lands or Tenements Rights or Credits of the said John Mitchell according to the form of the Act of Assembly in such case provided if to him it shall seem meet And have you then and there the names of those before whom you make the same known unto him and this writ Witness The Honourable William Paca Esqr chief Judge of our said Court this 21st day of September Anno Domini 1778.

Issued the 27th day of March 1779. James Earle Clk.

At which aforesaid second Tuesday of April seventeen hundred and seventy nine came the aforesaid Robert Couden and John Clapham by Luther Martin their Attorney. And the Sheriff of Worcester County aforesaid made return of the writ aforesaid in the words following to wit Nihil Benjn Purnall Sheriff.

Whereupon it was again Commanded to the Sheriff of Worcester County aforesaid that by good and lawful Men of his bailiwick he should make known to the said John Mitchell that he should be and appear before the Judges of the said General Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of Maryland at Talbot County Court house the second Tuesday of September then next to shew cause if any thing for himself had or to say knew why our Commissioners aforesaid for our use should not have Execution of the Debt aforesaid against the Body Goods or Chattels Lands or Tenements Rights or Credits of the said John Mitchell according to the form of the Act of Assembly in such case provided if to him it should seem meet And that he should have then and there the names of those before whom he should make the same known unto him and this Writ Witness The Honourable Nicholas Thomas Esquire one of the Judges of said Court the 23d day of April Anno Domini 1779.

Issued the 20th day of May 1779. L.M. James Earle Clk.

At which aforesaid second Tuesday of September seventeen hundred & seventy nine cometh the aforesaid Robert Couden and John Clapham by their Attorney aforesaid And the Sheriff of Worcester County aforesaid maketh return of the writ aforesaid in the words following to wit Nihil, Benjn Purnall Sheriff.

At which aforesaid second Tuesday of September seventeen hundred and seventy nine cometh the aforesaid Robert Couden and John Clapham by their Attorney aforesaid And the aforesaid Robert Couden and John Clapham by their Attorney aforesaid Prayeth that the aforesaid John Mitchell to the writ of them the same Robert