for the aforesaid William Hopper that if it should happen that the same William Hopper in the Plea aforesaid should be convicted then the same Griffin Fauntleroy Granted That all such Damages Costs and Charges which unto the same Henry Dickinson in the past should be adjudged of his Body Lands and Chattels should be made and to the Use of the same Henry Dickinson Levied if it should happen that the same William Hopper the Debt Damages Costs and Charges aforesaid unto the aforesaid Henry Dickinson should not pay or himself to the Public Prison of Queen Anns County by that occasion should not render.

And the aforesaid William Hopper by his Attorney aforesaid Prayed Liberty to Imparle thereof there until the second Tuesday of September then next and he had it the same day was given to the aforesaid Henry Dickinson there and so forth

At which aforesaid second Tuesday of September seventeen hundred and Eighty four came the Party's aforesaid by their Attorney's aforesaid And the aforesaid William Hopper by his Attorney aforesaid Prayed further Liberty of Imparling thereof there until the second Tuesday of April then next and he had it the same day was given to the aforesaid Henry Dickinson there and so forth.

At which aforesaid second Tuesday of April seventeen hundred and Eighty five came the Party's aforesaid by their Attorney's aforesaid And the aforesaid William Hopper by Robert Wright his Attorney came and defended the force and Injury when and so forth and prayed a hearing of the writing obligatory aforesaid and he had it in the Words following viz.

Which being read and heard the said Hopper said that he with the Debt aforesd. by virtue of the Writing aforesaid ought not to be burthened because he said that the Writing aforesaid was not his Deed and of that he put himself upon the Country and so forth And the said Hopper with the leave of the Court there according to the form of the Statute in such case made and provided came and further defended the force and Injury when and so forth and said that the said Dickinson his Action aforesaid thereof against him to have and maintain ought not because he said he paid to the said Dickinson the Debt and Interest due on the said Writing According to the force and Effect of the same to act on the tenth day of January Seventeen hundred and seventy four at Caroline County aforesaid and this he was ready to verify wherefore he prayed Judgment if the said Dickinson his Action aforesaid against him the said Hopper to have and maintain ought and so forth.

And the said Henry Dickinson by his Attorney aforesaid said that he by anything before alledged ought not to be precluded from his Action aforesaid against the said William Hopper had because he said that the said William Hopper did not pay to the said Henry Dickinson the said Three hundred and ten Pounds Current Money and the Interest for the same due as the said William Hopper above by Pleading hath alledged And this he prayed might be enquired of by the Country And the said William Hopper thereof likewise. Therefore a Jury was ordered to come before the Court here the second Tuesday of September then next Twelve &c Who neither &c To Recognize &c Because as well &c the same day was given to the aforesd William Hopper there & so forth.

And now here to wit the second Tuesday of September Seventeen hundred and Eighty five Comith the Parties aforesaid by their Attorney's aforesaid And the aforesaid William Hopper by his Attorney aforesaid further defends the force and Injury when and so forth And saith that he cannot gainsay the Action aforesaid of the aforesaid Henry Dickinson nor can he deny but that the Bill obligatory aforesaid is the Deed of him the said William Hopper nor but that he owe unto the same Henry Dickinson the aforesaid Sum of Three hundred and ten Pounds Current Money of Maryland in manner and form as the aforesaid Henry Dickinson above against him hath declared Therefore it is Considered by the Court here that the aforesaid Henry Dickinson do recover against the said William Hopper his Debt aforesaid Penalty to be released on Payment of Principal Interest and Costs with a Stay of Execution to the tenth day of February Seventeen hundred and Eighty six Payments if any to be allowed. As also Seven hundred and one Pounds of Tobacco for his Damages which he hath sustained by Occasion of the Detention of that Debt unto the aforesaid Henry Dickinson by the Court here of his Ignt adjudged & And the aforesaid William Hopper in Mercy and so forth. James Earle Clk

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William Fitzhugh for the Use of George Fitzhugh
against
William Hopper

The State of Maryland. Command was given to the Sheriff of Queen Anns County that he should & take William Hopper late of Queen Anns County Gentleman otherwise called William Hopper of Caroline County Sheriff if he should be found in his Bailiwick and him safe keep so that he should have his Body before the Judges of the next General Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of this State at Talbot County Courthouse the second Tuesday of April then next to Answer unto William Fitzhugh of a plea that he should render unto him Two hundred and thirty Eight Pounds nineteen shillings and two pence Current Money of the State of Maryland which to him he owed and unjustly detained and so forth. And that he & should not thereof fail at his Peril and that he should have then and there that Writ. Witness Robert Hanson Harrison Esquire chief Judge of our said Court the 29th day of September Anno Dominii 1783 Issued the 3d day of March 1784 James Earle Clk.

At which aforesaid second Tuesday of April Seventeen hundred and Eighty four came the aforesaid William Fitzhugh by William Hayward his Attorney And the Sheriff of Queen Anns County aforesaid made return of the Writ aforesaid in the words following to wit Cepi Corpus Sam Ridgaway Sheriff. And the aforesaid William Hopper by Robert Wright his Attorney Prayed Liberty of Imparling thereof there until the second Tuesday of September then next and he had it the same day was given to the aforesaid William Fitzhugh there and so forth. At which aforesaid second & Tuesday of September seventeen hundred and eighty four came the Party's aforesaid by their Attorney's aforesaid And the aforesaid William Hopper by his Attorney aforesd Prayed further Liberty of Imparling thereof there until the second Tuesday of April then next and he had it the same day was given to the aforesaid William Fitzhugh there and so forth. At which aforesaid second Tuesday of April seventeen hundred and eighty five came the Party's aforesaid by their Attorney's aforesaid And the aforesaid William

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