rendered against them by default: the same time was given to the said State of Maryland then, and so forth: and now here at this time, towit, the twenty fifth day of this present month; cometh as well the said State of Maryland by her Attorney aforesaid, and the aforesaid Thomas Gilliland and Samuel Gilpin by their Attorney aforesaid, defends the force and injury when and so forth: and saith that they cannot deny the action aforesaid of the aforesaid State of Maryland so as aforesaid against them brought, nor but that they owe to the said State of Maryland the sum of ninety nine pounds, fifteen shillings current money in manner and form as the aforesaid State of Maryland above against them have declared: Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the said State of Maryland do recover against the said Thomas Gilliland and Samuel Gilpin the debt aforesaid in form aforesaid acknowledged: as also the quantity of six hundred and eighty six pounds of Tobacco as well for her damages which she hath sustained by occasion of the detention of that debt, as for her costs and charges by them about their suit in this behalf expended unto the same State of Maryland by the Court here with their assent adjudged &c. And the said Thomas Gilliland and Samuel Gilpin in mercy &c.

James Earle Clk.

State of Maryland
against
Samuel Brown and
Joseph Brown

Be it remembered that on the eighth day of January Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, Command was given to the Sheriff of Cecil County that he should take Samuel Brown and Joseph Brown late of Cecil County if they shall be found in his Bailiwick, and them safe keep, so that he might have their bodies before the Judges of our next General Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of the said State at Talbot County Court House the second Tuesday of April next, to answer unto the said State the sum of three hundred and ninety four pounds current money, which from the said State they unjustly detain and so forth: and that thereof he the said Sheriff should

not fail at his Peril, and that he should have then and there that writ &c.

And now here at this day, towit, the said second Tuesday of April Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, Cometh the State of Maryland by Luther Martin Attorney General of the said State and Archibald Job the Sheriff of Cecil County &c. to the Court here maketh return that by virtue of the same writ to him directed, he had taken the bodies of the said Samuel Brown and Joseph Brown and the same has ready according to the exigence of the same writ: and the said Samuel Brown and Joseph Brown by Aquilla Hall their Attorney come here into Court: thereupon the said Samuel Brown and Joseph Brown at the prayer of the said State of Maryland are asked to give special Bail in the plea aforesaid: thereupon the said Samuel Brown and Joseph Brown file in Court here the following Bail Piece, towit: The State against Samuel Brown and Joseph Brown: We John Knight and Elijah Rogers do acknowledge ourselves special Bail for the said Samuel Brown and Joseph Brown at the suit of the state of Maryland in an action of debt brought by the State against the said Samuel Brown and Joseph Brown in the General Court of the Eastern Shore they acknowledge themselves to be content therewith this 28th day of March 1787.

To the worshipful the Judges of the General Court. — — — — — — —

Sam.l Miller
Patrick Ewing

We do hereby constitute and appoint Aquilla Hall our attorney to appear for us and defend the above suit. —

Samuel Brown

and thereupon the State of Maryland by Luther Martin Attorney General of the said State affileth its Declaration in the plea aforesaid against the said Samuel Brown and Joseph Brown the Tenor whereof ensues in the following words, to wit: Maryland Cecil County to wit, Samuel Brown and Joseph Brown late of Cecil County were summoned to answer unto the State of Maryland of a plea that they render unto the said State the sum of three hundred and ninety four pounds current money which to the said State they owe and unjustly detain and so forth: And whereupon the said State by Luther Martin the said State Attorney General, saith that whereas the aforesaid Samuel Brown and Joseph Brown on the fifteenth day of June in the year seventeen hundred

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