to be paid to the said State of Maryland where afterwards they should be thereunto
required: Nevertheless the aforesaid John and William (although often
thereunto required) the aforesaid sum of ninety three pounds money, to the
said State of Maryland have not rendered or paid, but the same to the
said State hitherto to render or pay they have altogether refused, and
still do refuse, wherefore the said State saith it is the worse and hath
damage to the value of fifty pounds like money aforesaid, and therefore the
said State brings suit, and so forth: and brings here into Court the writing
obligatory aforesaid: sealed with the seal of the aforesaid John and William
which the debt aforesaid, in form aforesaid, witnesseth, the date whereof
is the day and year aforesaid, and so forth. —

L. Martin Atty Genl. Redges clk. Jno. Doe and Rich. Roe. —

and the said John Knight and William Knight 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 the sum of ninety
three pounds current money, in manner and form as the said State of
Maryland above against them have declared: Therefore it is consi-
dered by the Court here, that the said State of Maryland do recover
against the said John Knight & Wm. Knight the debt aforesaid in form aforesaid
acknowledged: as also the quantity of six hundred and eighty six pounds
pounds of Tobacco, as well for her damages which she hath sus-
tained by occasion of the detention of that debt, as for her costs
and charges by her about her suit in this behalf expended unto her
the State of Maryland by the Court here with their assent adjudged &c.
and the said John Knight and William Knight in mercy &c. —

James Earle Clk.

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State of Maryland
against
Charles Whitelock and
Alexander McCullock

Be it remembered that on
the thirteenth 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 Charles Whitelock and Alexander McCullock 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 the next General Court
to be held for the Eastern Shore of this State at Talbot County Court house
the second Tuesday of April next, to answer unto the State of Maryland
of a plea, that they render unto the said State of Maryland the sum of forty
seven 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, to wit, 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 the County aforesaid to the
Court here maketh return that by virtue of the same writ to him directed
he had taken the bodies of the said Charles Whitelock and Alexander
McCullock and the same has ready according to the exigence of the
same writ: and the said Charles Whitelock and Alexander McCullock
by Aquila Hall their Attorney come here into Court: Thereupon the said
Charles Whitelock and Alexander McCullock at the prayer of the said
State of Maryland are asked to give special = Bail in the plea aforesaid: Thereup-
on the said Charles Whitelock and Alexander McCullock file here in Court
the following Bail = Piece, to wit: State of Maryland against Charles
Whitelock and Alexander McCullock: you Saml. Nair & Stephen
Severson