bodies of the said Amos Ewing and James Rowland and the same has ready according to the exigence of the same writ: and the said Amos Ewing and James Rowland by Aquila Hall their Attorney come here into Court. Thereupon the said Amos Ewing and James Rowland at the prayer of the said State of Maryland are ruled to give special = Bail in the plea aforesaid: Thereupon the said Amos Ewing and James Rowland file here in Court the following Bail=Piece, towit: State against Amos Ewing & James Rowland } you Elihu Hall and James Patton acknowledge yourselves special = Bail for the said Amos Ewing and James Rowland at the suit of the State of Maryland in an action of debt brought by the State against the Amos Ewing and James Rowland in the General Court of the Eastern Shore; They acknowledge themselves to be held and content therewith this 27. day of March 1787.

Elihu Hall
Patrick Ewing

To the honorable Judges of the General Court.

We do hereby constitute and appoint Aquila Hall our Attorney to appear for us and defend the above suit. Amos Ewing

And thereupon the said State of Maryland by Luther Martin Attorney Genera: of the said State, affiloth its Declaration in the plea aforesaid, against the said Amos Ewing and James Rowland, the Tenor whereof ensues in the following words, towit: Maryland Cecil County to wit, Amos Ewing and James Rowland 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 two hundred and forty pounds current money which from the said State they unjustly detain, and soforth: And whereupon the said State by Luther Martin the said State's Attorney saith that whereas the aforesaid Amos and James on the fifteenth day of June in the year seventeen hundred and eighty five at the County aforesaid, by their certain writing obligatory acknowledged themselves to be held and firmly bound unto the said State in the aforesaid sum of Two hundred and forty pounds

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current money to be paid to the said State of Maryland when afterwards they should be thereunto required: Nevertheless the aforesaid Amos and James (although afterwards unto required) the aforesaid sum of two hundred and forty pounds current 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 soforth: and brings here into Court the writing obligatory aforesaid: Sealed with the seals of the aforesaid Amos and James which the debt aforesaid, in form aforesaid, witnesseth, the date whereof is the day and year aforesaid, and soforth. —

L. Martin Atty for Plaintiff — Pledges pr. John Doe & Rich. Roe. —

and the said Amos Ewing and James Rowland by their Attorney aforesaid, defends the force and injury when and soforth: 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 two hundred and forty pounds current money, in manner and form as the said 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 Amos Ewing and James Rowland the debt aforesaid in form aforesaid acknowledged: as also the quantity of six hundred and eighty five 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 her about her suit in this behalf expended unto the same State of Maryland by the Court here with their assent adjudged pl.: and the said Amos Ewing and James Rowland in mercy pl. —

James Earle Clk.

State of Maryland
against
Samuel McMullen Senior
Samuel McMullen Junior

Be it remembered that on the thirteenth day of January Anno Dominii, One thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, Command was given to the Sheriff of Cecil County

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