The State of Maryland: To the Sheriff of Cecil County Greeting: Whereas at a General Court for the Eastern Shore of this State at Talbot County Court house the second Tuesday of April Anno Domini seventeen hundred and seventy nine Peter Lawson did recover a Judgment against a certain Jonathan Hodgson then late of Cecil County Farmer for as well the sum of Two hundred and thirty pounds current Money a certain Debt as also the sum of six pounds one Shilling current Money for his Costs and Charges by him about his suit in that behalf laid out and Expended and the sum of Nineteen Shillings and three pence like Money for his additional Costs in prosecuting the said Judgment by Cas. Ordered to lye in the Office from Term to Term as by the Record and Process thereof in our said Court remaining manifestly appears. And whereas the aforesaid Jonathan Hodgson after the Recovery of the Judgment aforesaid Died Intestate as it is said and Administration of all and Singular his Goods and Chattels Rights and Credits was by Due Course of Law Granted unto Richard Hodgson And whereas the said Jonathan Hodgson in his Life time nor the said Richard Hodgson since the Decease of the said Jonathan Hodgson have not paid the Condemnation of the Court aforesaid nor did the said Jonathan Hodgson in his Life time render his body to the Custody of the Sheriff of Cecil County aforesaid in Satisfaction thereof, as by the Insinuation of the said Peter Lawson we have Received: And because we will that those things which in our said Court are rightly done and transacted should be brought to due Execution We Command you that you God and lawful men of your Bailiwick you make known unto the said Richard Hodgson that he be and appear before the Judges at the next General Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of this State at Talbot County Court house the second Tuesday of September next to shew Cause if any he hath or knoweth why the said Peter Lawson Execution of the Debt Damages Costs and Charges aforesaid according to the Recovery aforesaid to have ought not if to him it shall seem meet And have you then and there the Names of those before whom you make the same known and this Writ Witness Robert Goldsborough Esquire one of the Judges of said Court this 26th day of April 1787

Seal of the General Court for the Eastern Shore State of Maryland

Issued the 11th day of March 1787. P.L. James Earle Clk

At which day to wit; the said second Tuesday in September in the year seventeen hundred and eighty seven here came the said Peter Lawson by Peregrine Letherbury his Attorney and the said Sheriff of the County aforesaid to whom the Writ aforesaid was directed also came & to the Court here thereof made return that he had made known unto the said Richard Hodgson by Isaac Foster and Daniel Job two good and Lawful men of his Bailiwick that he should be and appear before the Judges aft. at the time and Place aft. to shew Cause &c. according to the Exigence of the writ aforesaid; and the said Richard Hodgson Administrator as aforesaid by William Tilghman his Attorney came here into Court and defended the wrong and injury when and so forth: And thereupon further Process of and upon the Premises

aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by consent of the Parties and their Attornies aft. and by order of the Court here thereon, was continued until the second Tuesday in April then next following— And now here at this day to wit; the said second Tuesday in April Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, comes the said Peter Lawson by his Attorney aforesaid and the said Richard Hodgson comes not nor anything saith in bar or preclusion of the Scire facias aft. but thereon did make default: Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the said Peter Lawson have Execution against the said Richard Hodgson for the Debt and Damages aforesaid according to the force form and effect of the Recovery aft. and it is further Considered by the Court here that the said Peter Lawson do recover against the said Richard Hodgson the Quantity of six hundred and forty seven pounds of Tobacco for his Additional damages, Costs and Charges sustained by them by delay of the Execution of the Judgment aft. and the said Richard Hodgson in mercy &c. James Earle Clk

Judgment was undered in this Action on the fifteenth day of April Anno Domini 1788 With a Stay of Execution till next September Term.

William Goodwin, Thomas Russell and Hugh McBayde against Thomas Connally

Memorandum the Defendant by Gustavus Scott his Attorney sued out the State's Writ of Habeas Corpus the tenor whereof ensues in these Words, to wit.

The State of Maryland To the Justices and Sheriff of Dorchester County Greeting: Whereas a certain Thomas Connelly is Detained in the Prison of our said County under the Custody of you our said Sheriff at the Suit of a certain William Goodwin Thomas Russell and Hugh McBryde in a plea of Debt which said Plea as it is said is still depending before you our said Justices undeterminated, and we being willing for divers Causes that the Plea aforesaid undetermined as aforesaid shall be heard and Determined before the Judges of our General Court We therefore Command you that you have the Body of the said Thomas Connelly by whatsoever name or names he may be called in the Plea aforesaid together with the Cause of his Caption and Detention and all things thereunto relating before the Judges of our General Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of this State at Talbot County Court house the second Tuesday of April next that the Judges of our said General Court may further proceed therein as to Justice appertains &c. Hereof fail not at your Peril and have you then and there this Writ witness Robert Hanson Harrison Esq. Chief Judge of our said Court this 12th day of September Anno Domini 1786 Issued the 11th day of October 1786—

GS James Earle Clk

At which day, to wit, the second Tuesday in April anno Domini seventeen hundred and eighty seven being the day of the return of the aforegoing Writ the Justices and Sheriff of Dorchester County in Compliance with the writ aforesaid made return thereof, to