Ninety two Pounds ten shillings and eight pence half Penny current Money to be paid to the said William Goodwin Thomas Rufsell & Hugh McBayde or their certain Attorney Heirs Executors Administrators or Assigns to which payment well and truly to be made I bind myself my Heirs Executors and Administrators firmly by these presents sealed with my Seal dated the eighth day of March one thousand seven Hundred and eighty five — The Condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bound Thomas Connolly his Heirs Executors or Administrators do and shall well and Truly pay or cause to be paid unto the above named William Goodwin, Thomas Rufsell and Hugh McBryde there Heirs Exors Admrs or Assigns the full and just sum of Ninety six Pounds five shillings & four pence farthing current Money with lawful Interest for the same then this Obligation to be void otherwise to be and Remain in full force and Virtue —

Signed Sealed & Delivered in the Presence of } Thomas Connoly (Seal)
Jno Smoot. Thos Nicols —

And the said Thomas Connoly by his Attorney afsd defended the force and injury when &c and prayed the Liberty of Imparling thereof until the Monday before the second Tuesday in October then next following, and it was granted unto him the same day was given to the said William Goodwin, Thomas Rufsell and Hugh McBryde there &c. And now at this day to wit, the monday before the second Tuesday in October in the year Seventeen Hundred and Eighty six here came again as well the said William Goodwin, Thomas Rufsell and Hugh McBryde as the said Thomas Connoly by their Attorneys afsd and the said Thomas Connoly by his Attorney afsd produces to the Court here a Writ of Habeas Corpus of the said State of Maryland to the Justices and Sheriff afsd directed, the Tenor whereof insues in the following Words and figures, to wit,

The State of Maryland To the Justices and Sheriff of Dorchester County Greeting:

Seal of Office of the General Court for the State of Maryland

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 Rufsell and Hugh McBryde in a plea of Debt which said plea as it is sayd is still depending before you our said Justices undetermined 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 whatever Name or Names he may be called in the Plea aforesaid together with the cause of his Caption and Detention and all things thereto 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 thereon 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. G.S. James Earle Clk

Which being read and heard the same is by the Court allowed; And it is Ordered by the same Court that the cause of the Caption and Detention of the said Thomas Connoly, together with the Record and Process afsd and all proceedings relating to the same be accordingly transmitted before the Honourable the Judges of the General Court at their Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of the said State at Talbot County Court House on the second Tuesday of April next ensuing that the said Judges may further proceed therein as to Justice appertains and so forth N. Hammond Clk

Dorchester County, to wit; I hereby certify that the Proceedings in this cause as above and within mentioned were faithfully and exactly copied from the Records and Proceedings of Dorchester County Court now remaining in my Office —

Seal of Dorchester County Court

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and affixed the Public Seal of my Office this fourth day of April Seventeen hundred and eighty seven N. Hammond Clk Dorfo Cy Court

And the Sheriff of the County afsd came and made return that he had then and there the Body of the said Thomas Connally agreable to the Exigence of the same Writ; And thereupon came as well the said William Goodwin, Thomas Rufsell and Hugh McBryde by their Attorney afsd as the said Thomas Connally by his Attorney aforesaid and the said Thomas Connally by his Attorney afsd defended the wrong and injury when and so forth and prayed the liberty of imparling therein until the second Tuesday of September then next and it was granted unto him the same day was given to the said William Goodwin Thomas Rufsell and Hugh McBryde there and so forth —.

At which day to wit; the said second Tuesday of September here came again as well the said William Goodwin, Thomas Rufsell, and Hugh McBryde as the said Thomas Connally by their Attornies aforesaid and the said William Goodwin Thomas Rufsell and Hugh McBryde by their Attorney afsd prayed that a rule of Court might be made for the said Thomas Connally to file his plea and answer unto the Declaration of them the said William Goodwin, Thomas Rufsell and Hugh McBryde by the second Tuesday of April then next, and it was granted unto them Whereupon it was said to the said Thomas Connally that if he did not answer to the Declaration aforesaid by the time aforesaid Judgment should be rendered against him by Default. The same day was given to the said William Goodwin Thomas Rufsell and Hugh McBryde there &c.

And now here at this day, to wit the said second Tuesday in April in the year seventeen hundred and eighty eight come again as well the said William Goodwin Thomas Rufsell and Hugh McBryde by their Attorney as the said Thomas Connally