Justices as aforesaid and George Hanson High Sheriff To the Honorable the Judges of the General Court for the Eastern Shore of the State of Maryland Certify That Command was given to the Sheriff of Kent County on the monday before the third Tuesday of October seventeen hundred and eighty five that he should take Isaac Cannell late of Kent County Farmer if he should be found in his Bailiwick and him safe keep so that he might have his body before the Justices of our next County Court to be held at the Court House in the Town of Chester in said County on the monday before the third Tuesday of March next to answer unto Jeremiah Ford of a plea that he render unto him the sum of one hundred and ninety one pounds seventeen Shillings and two pence current money which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c. At which said monday before the third Tuesday of March seventeen hundred and eighty six came the aforesd Jeremiah Ford by William Tilghman his Attorney and the Sheriff of Kent County also came and made return of the Writ aforesd to the Court here thereon endorsed as follows, to wit Ceptt Geo: Hanson Shff Thereupon Robert Meeks of the same County Farmer here in his proper person into Court did come and became Pledge and Security for Isaac Cannell that if it should so happen to the same Isaac to be convicted in the Plea aforesd that then the same Security granted as well the Debt aforesd as all the Damages Costs and Charges which to the said Jeremiah Ford in the Plea aforesaid shall be adjudged of the Goods and Chattels Lands and Tenements of the same Robert Meeks to be made and for the use of the same Jeremiah Ford to be levied if it should so happen that the said Isaac Cannell the Debt and Damages Costs and Charges of the same Jeremiah Ford in the Plea aforesaid should not pay or himself into the Custody of the Sheriff of Kent County on that occasion render And now here, to wit came the aforesd Isaac Cannell by Peregine Letherbury his Attorney and the aforesd Jeremiah Ford by his Attorney aforesaid offered himself against the said Isaac Cannell in the Plea aforesd and complained thereof against him in the following Terms, To wit;

Kent County to wit Isaac Cannell late of Kent County Farmer otherwise called Isaac Cannell of Kent County in the State of Maryland was summoned to answer unto Jeremiah Ford of a plea that he render unto him the sum of one hundred & ninety one Pounds seventeen shillings & two pence

current money which to him he owes and unjustly detains and so forth. And whereupon the said Jeremiah Ford by William Tilghman his Attorney saith that whereas the aforesd Isaac on the twenty sixth day of January in the year seventeen hundred & eighty five at Kent County aforesd by his certain Writing Obligatory acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto him the said Jeremiah in the aforesd sum of one hundred and ninety one pounds seventeen shillings and two pence current money to be paid to him the said Jeremiah when afterwards he should be thereunto required Nevertheless the aforesd Isaac (although often thereunto required) the aforesd sum of one hundred and ninety one pounds Seventeen Shillings & two pence to him the said Jeremiah hath not rendered or paid, but the same to him hitherto to render or pay he hath altogether refused and still doth refuse wherefore he saith he is the worse and hath Damage to the Value of two hundred pounds current money aforesd and therefore he brings Suit and so forth, and brings here into Court the Writing Obligatory aforesd sealed with the Seal of the aforesd Isaac Cannell which the Debt aforesd in form aforesd Witnesseth the Date whereof is the day and year aforesd &c. Wm Tilghman for the Plaintiff Pledges &c. John Doe & Richard Roe

Oyer of the Writing Obligatory and Condition as follows.

Know all men by these presents that I Isaac Cannell of Kent County in the State of Maryland am held and firmly bound unto Jeremiah Ford of the County & State aforesd in the Just and full sum of one hundred and ninety one pounds Seventeen shillings & two pence current Lawfull money of this State to be paid to the said Jeremiah Ford his Heirs Executors Admrs or Assigns to the which payment well and truly to be made and done I do bind myself my Heirs Exrs & Admrs firmly by these Presents for and in the whole. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and seal this 26th day of January in the year one thousand seven hundred & eighty five

The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bounden Isaac Cannell His Heirs Exors or Admrs or any of them shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said Jeremiah Ford his Heirs Exrs Admrs or Assigns or any of them the Just and full sum of ninety five pounds eighteen shillings and one penny like money aforesd on Demand with lawfull Interest from the Date hereof then the above obligation to be void or else to remain in full force & virtue in Law.

And the aforesd Isaac Cannell by his