obligatory aforesaid and of the Condition thereof and he hath them in these words to wit Know all men by these presents that I William Gould of Queen Anne's County and State of Maryland farmer am held and stand firmly bound unto John Morgan of the same place Merchant in the full and just sum of one hundred and eighty three pounds nineteen shillings and six pence halfpence specie (Spanish milled Dollars at seven shilling and six pence each Half Johannes at three pounds and Guineas at thirty five shillings) to be paid unto the said John Morgan his certain Attorney Executors Administrators or Assigns. To the which payment well and truly to be made and done I do bind myself my Heirs Executors Administrators and every of them severally and firmly by these presents sealed with my seal and dated this third day of November One thousand seven hundred and eighty three — The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound William Gould his Heirs Executors Administrators or any of them shall and do well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said John Morgan or his certain Attorney Executors Administrators or Assigns the full and just sum of ninety one pounds nineteen shillings and nine pence farthing specie (Gold and Silver Coin rated as above) at or upon the first day of November next ensuing the date hereof with Legal Interest for the same then the above obligation to be void and of none effect else to be and remain in full force and virtue in Law —

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of George Johnson } Wm. Gould (Seal)

And the aforesaid William Gould by Joshua Seney his Attorney comes and defends the force and injury (as before) and prays leave to imparle hereunto until next Court, and he had it. And the same day is given to the Plaintiff also —

At which said next Court, to wit 23d. day of July Anno Domini 1787. comes again the said Parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attorneys aforesaid, and the said Defendant by his Attorney aforesaid prays further leave to Imparle hereunto until next Court and he had it and the same day is given to the Plaintiff also — At which said next Court to wit the 23d. day of October Anno Domini 1787 comes again the said Parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attorneys aforesaid and the said Defendant by his Attorney aforesaid prays further leave to imparle hereunto until next Court and he had it, and the same day is given to the Plaintiff also. — At which said next Court to wit the 21st. day of March Anno Domini 1788 comes again the said Parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attorneys aforesaid and the said Defendant by his Attorney aforesaid prays further leave to imparle hereunto until next Court and he had it and the same day is given to the

Plaintiff also — At which said next Court to wit, the 21st. day of July Anno Domini 1788. comes again as well the said John Morgan by his Attorney aforesaid as the said William Gould by his Attorney aforesaid — And the aforesaid William Gould by his Attorney aforesaid produced to the Court here the States writ of Habeas Corpus directed to the Justices and Sheriff of Queen Anne's County aforesaid commanding a Record of Proceedings to be transmitted to the General Court for the Eastern Shore of this State the tenor whereof follows in these words to wit —

The State of Maryland To the Justices and Sheriff of Queen Anne's County Greeting, (The seal of the Court S.S.) Whereas a certain William Gould is detained in the Prison of our said County under the custody of you our said Sheriff at the suit of a certain John Morgan of a plea of Debt, which said Plea as it is said still depends 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. Therefore we command you that you have the body of the said William Gould by whatsoever name or names he may be called in the plea aft. together with the cause of his Caption and Detention and all things thereunto relating, before the Judges of the 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 Court may further proceed therein as to justice appertains and so forth. Hereof fail not at your Peril and have you then and there this writ — Witness the honourable Robert Hanson Harrison Esquire chief Judge of our said Court this twenty eighth day of September Anno Domini 1787. —

Issued the 2nd. day of April 1788. (Id.) James Earle Clk. —

Which being read and heard the same is allowed and a Record of Proceeding ordered by the Court to be transmitted to the General Court for the Eastern Shore of this State accordingly — In Testimony whereof that the aforegoing is a true Copy from the Record of Proceedings of Queen Ann's County aforesaid I have hereunto set my Hand and affixed the Seal of my Office this 14th. day of August Anno Domini 1788. (Clerk's Court Seal) Samuel S. Wright Clk. —

And the Sheriff of Queen Ann's County aforesaid, came and likewise made return, that he had then and there the body of the said William Gould agreable to the exigence of the aforesaid writ: and the said William Gould by his Attorney aforesaid defended the wrong and injury when and so forth, and prayed liberty of imparling thereunto until the second Tuesday of April then next following: and it was granted unto him: The same day was given the aforesaid John Morgan then and so forth —

And now here at this day to wit: the said second Tuesday of April, in the year