money which he owes and unjustly detains and so forth that thereof he should not fail at his peril and that he have then and there that writ &c — And now here at this day to wit that is to say the twenty sixth day of March Anno Domini 1787. and the day of the return of the aforegoing Writ comes the said Charles Hynson Administrator as aforesaid by Robert Wright his Attorney, and the Sheriff of Queen Ann's County aforesaid to whom the same writ was made and directed likewise came and made return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed, to wit "Cepi James O'Bryan Sheriff". And the aforesaid John Meeds being called upon appears and at the prayer of the Plaintiff by his Attorney ad is adjudged to give special Bail in the Action aft^d in the plea aforesaid. Thereupon a certain Nathan Baynard of Queen Ann's County aforesaid present here in Court undertakes for the said John Meeds that in case the said Charles Hynson administrator as aforesaid shall recover Judgment against the said John Meeds in the plea aforesaid or that the said John Meeds shall be therein legally convict that then the said John Meeds shall pay the condemnation thereupon or render his body into the Custody of the Sheriff of Queen Ann's County aforesaid in discharge thereof or that he the said Nathan Baynard would do the same for him, and of this he acknowledges himself to be therewith content. And the said John Meeds by James Tilghman his Attorney defends the force and injury when and so forth. And prays leave to imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it. And the same day is given to the Plaintiff also. — At which said next Court, to wit the 23^d 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 hath it And the same day is given to the Plaintiff also. — At which said next Court to wit the 23^d 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 hath it and the same day is given to the Plaintiff also — At which said next Court to wit the 24th day of March Anno Domini 1788. comes again the said Parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attornies aforesaid. And the said Defendant by his Attorney aforesaid prays further leave to imparle hereunto until next Court and he hath 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 Charles Hynson Administrator as aforesaid by his Attorney aforesaid and the

aforesaid John Meeds by his Attorney aforesaid, produced to the court here the state's Writ of Habeas Corpus directed to the Justices and Sheriff of Queen Anns County aforesaid commanding a Record of the proceedings to be transmitted to the General Court for the Eastern Shore of Maryland which said writ is closed in these words to wit, The State of Maryland To the Justices and Sheriff of Queen Anns County Greeting. Whereas a certain John Meeds is detained in the prison of our said County under the Custody of you our said Sheriff at the Suit of Charles Hynson Administrator of all and singular the Goods and Chattels Rights and Credits which were of Richard Hynson late of Queen Anns County deceased of a plea that he render unto him the full and just sum of Four hundred pounds Current money which to him he owes and unjustly detains and so forth, 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 John Meeds 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 the General Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of this State at Talbot County Court House the second Tuesday of September 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 sixteenth day of April Anno Domini 1788. Issued the 27th day of May 1788. (Sd.) James Earle Clk.

(The Seal of the Genl Court E.S.)

Which being read and heard the same is allowed and ordered by the Court here that a Record of the Proceedings therein be transmitted to the General Court for the Eastern Shore accordingly —

(Talbot to Seal)

In Testimony whereof that the aforegoing is a true copy from the Record of proceedings of Queen Anns County aforesaid. I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my Office this 14th day of August Anno Domini 1788. Samuel Wright Clk:

And the Sheriff of Queen Ann's County came, and also made return to the Court here that he had then and there the ~~said~~ body of the said John Meeds agreable to the exigence of the same writ. whereupon came here into Court as well the said Charles Hynson Administrator aforesaid by Robert Wright his Attorney as the said John Meeds by his afore mentioned Attorney, and thereupon the process of and upon the premises between the aforesaid Parties, with consent of the said Parties and their