Anno Domini 1787. Issued the Seventh day of November 1787. (Ex.) James Earle Clk.
Which said second Tuesday of April, in the year One thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, being the day of the return of the aforegoing writ, the Justices and Sheriff of Talbot County aforesaid in compliance with the said writ made return thereof to the Court here together with the following Record, to wit.

'In the records and Proceedings of Talbot County Court it is among other things enrolled as follows to wit. Talbot County to wit. At a County Court of the State of Maryland held for Talbot County, at the Court House in the said County, on the Monday before the first Tuesday in November, in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, before the Justices of the same State duly commissioned and Assigned to keep the Peace in the County aforesaid, of whom were present, The worshipful John Braco, Jeremiah Banning, Richard Johns William Dawson Hugh Sherwood Charles Gardiner James Thomas John Roberts & Peter Webb Esquires – Daniel Powell Gent Sheriff Benjn. Stevens Clk

Thomas Morgan & Wife
v.
Elisha Stewart . . .

Command was given to the Sheriff of Talbot County the third day of November in the year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and eighty seven that he should take Elisha Stewart late of Talbot County, Planter if he should be found in his Bailiwick and him in his custody safe keep so that he should have his body before the Justices of Talbot County Court at the Court house in the said County, on the Monday before the first tuesday in November then next following, to answer unto Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth his wife of a plea that he render unto them two hundred and one pound sixteen shillings Specie Current Money of Maryland which to them he owes and unjustly detains &c. And that he should then and there have that writ. –

At which mentioned day, to wit the said Monday before the first Tuesday in November in the year fourteen hundred and eighty six, here came the said Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth his wife by William Hayward their Attorney and Daniel Powell Gent the Sheriff of the County aforesaid to the Court here made return that the body of the said Elisha Stewart was not to be found in his Bailiwick, and the said Elisha Stewart by William Hayward Junr. his Attorney came here into Court voluntarily and thereupon the said Elisha Stewart at the prayer of the said Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth his wife was ruled to give Special Bail in the plea afores.d whereupon William Bonny of Talbot County Planter came here into Court in his proper person and became Pledge and Mainpriser for the aforesaid Elisha Stewart that if it should happen that Judgment by the Court

here, for the aforesaid Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth his wife in the plea aforesaid against the said Elisha Stewart should be rendered, then the same William Bonny granted that all such Damages costs and Charges which unto the aforesaid Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth his wife in this part should by the Court be adjudged, of his Lands and Chattels should be made and to the use of the said Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth his Wife, levied, if it should happen that the said Elisha Stewart the said Damages Costs and Charges unto the same Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth his Wife should not pay or his body in Execution of such Judgment to the public prisone of Talbot County aforesaid by that occasion should not render. And thereupon day was given as well to the said Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth his wife as to the said Elisha Stewart by the Court here untill the monday before the first Tuesday in March then next following. At which day, to wit, the Monday before the first tuesday in March came here again as well the said Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth his Wife, as the said Elisha Stewart by their Attorneys aforesaid, And thereupon a further day was given as well to the said Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth his wife, as to the said Elisha Stewart by the Court here untill the Monday before the first Tuesday in June then next following. At which day, to wit, the said Monday before the third Tuesday in June, here came again as well the said Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth his wife as the said Elisha Stewart by their Attorneys aforesaid, and the said Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth his wife by their Attorney aforesaid affiled their Declaration in the plea aforesaid against the said Elisha Stewart in manner and form following to wit "Talbot County ss. Elisha Stewart late of Talbot County Planter was summoned to answer unto Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth his wife of a Plea that he render unto them two hundred and one pound sixteen shillings Specie Current Money of Maryland which to them he owes and unjustly detains &c. & so forth. And whereupon the said Thomas and Elizabeth by William Hayward their Attorney say that whereas the said Elisha on the seventeenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty five at Talbot County afs. by his certain writing obligatory which the said Thomas and Elizabeth with the seal of the said Elisha sealed here into Court do bring the date whereof is the same day and year afs. acknowledged himself to be held and firmly unto the said Elizabeth whilst sole and before her intermarriage with the said Thomas by the name of Elizabeth Warner in the said sum of two hundred and one pound sixteen shillings current money afs. to be paid unto the said Elizabeth