minding and fraudulently intending him the said George in his lifetime and the said
Roanna since the decease of him the said George in their behalf carefully and duetifully to pay
and dispend the aforesaid several sums of Current money or any part thereof to him the
said George in his lifetime or to the said Roanna since the decease of him the said George
(to which said Roanna the Administration of all and singular the Goods and Chattels
Rights and Credits which were of the aforesaid George at the time of his death was by
William Buchanan Commissary of Baltimore County, after the death of him the said
George to wit on the sixteenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand
seven hundred and eighty six, at Baltimore County aforesaid Committed) hath not paid or in any wise
Contented (at the time the aforesaid Joseph was afterwards by the said George in his lifetime
on the twenty fourth day of March in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty five at
Dorchester County aforesaid, and by the said Roanna since the death of him the said George
after the Administration so as aforesaid to her Committed to wit, on the twentieth day of December
in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty six, and often afterwards at Dorchester County af.
required) But the same or any part thereof to him the said George in his lifetime, or to the
said Roanna since the decease of him the said George to pay or satisfy to the said Joseph
hath altogether refused and the same to the said Roanna in any wise to content or pay
this day refuse to the damage of the said Roanna, in the sum of two hundred and
fifty pounds Current money of Maryland, and in delay of the Execution of the Ad-
=ministration of the goods Chattels Rights and Credits aforesaid and therefore she
brings suit and doth and brings here into Court the Letters of Administration
which the Commission of the Administration, aforesaid to her said Roanna in
form aforesaid Testifies and doth, Mr Cooke for Plt. pleads doth Sworn Dec.
Nil Dec.
and thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties
aforesaid, by Consent of the said parties, and their attorneys aforesaid and by order of the Court
here, thereon, was Continued until the second Tuesday in April next following. At
which said second Tuesday in April anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and
eighty eight, came the parties aforesaid by their attorneys aforesaid, and the aforesaid
Roanna Robinson, by her attorney aforesaid prayed that a rule of Court be made for
the aforesaid Joseph Dawson to file his plea, and answer to the declaration aforesaid
whereupon it was ruled by the Court at the prayer of the said Roanna Robinson that
the said Joseph Dawson should answer to the declaration aforesaid, on the second Tuesday
of September next following; and it was said to the said Joseph Dawson that if he
should 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 aforesaid
Roanna Robinson and so forth, and whereupon further process of and upon the
premises aforesaid, between the parties aforesaid, by Consent of the said parties, and
their attornies aforesaid, and by order of the Court here thereon, was further Continued
until the second Tuesday in September next following. At which said second Tuesday
of September anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, came
again the parties aforesaid, by their attorneys aforesaid. Thereupon further

process of and upon the premises aforesaid, between the parties aforesaid, by Consent of the said parties
and their attorneys aforesaid, and by order of the Court here thereon, was further Continued, until the
second Tuesday in April next following. At which day to wit, the second Tuesday in April
anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine, came again as well the said Roanna
Robinson by her attorney aforesaid, and the said Joseph Dawson by his attorney aforesaid defends
the force and injury when and so forth and says that the Court here after Existing there after
State of Maryland in the action aforesaid between the parties aforesaid ought not to proceed;
further because he says that the aforesaid Roanna after obtaining the Original writ of her
the said Roanna against him the same Joseph, to wit, on the day of
in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Dorchester County, took for
her husband a certain and to her does then and there was
lawfully married, which yet exists and is in full life, to wit, at the County of
and this he is ready to verify whereupon he prays Judgment, if the said Court here in the
action aforesaid between the parties aforesaid ought to proceed further &c. and prayed that a
rule of Court to made for the aforesaid Roanna Robinson to file her replication in
reply to the plea of the aforesaid Joseph Dawson by the next April Term, and it was granted unto
him: thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid, between the parties af.
by Consent of the said parties and their attorneys aforesaid, and by order of the Court here
thereon, was further Continued, until the second Tuesday in April next following — At
which day to wit. the said second Tuesday of April anno Domini one thousand seven hundred
and ninety, Came the parties aforesaid by their attorneys aforesaid, thereupon by Consent of
the said parties and their attorneys aforesaid, it was ordered by the Court here, that the matter in
difference between the said parties in this Cause, be referred to the arbitrament and final
determination of Archibald Campbell and John Salmon, and if they should disagree they
were empowered to name a third person; and it was also ruled that the Judgment
of the Court should be rendered on the award of them, when the same should be returned
according to the act of Assembly in such Case made and provided; and thereupon further
process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by Consent of the
said parties and their attorneys aforesaid was Continued under reference until the
second Tuesday in September then next following. At which said second Tuesday
in September anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and ninety, Came again
the parties aforesaid, by their attorneys aforesaid, and the said Archibald Campbell &
John Salmon, according to the power granted them by the aforesaid rule of reference
Came here into Court and made return of the following award, to wit, We the undersigned
to the rule of the Worshipful General Court of Maryland we have examined the allegations
and proofs of both parties in the above suit and do award that the defendant pay to the
plaintiff the sum of one hundred and sixty five pounds eighteen shillings & five pence Current
money with Legal Interest from the 26th day of March 1785. and the legal Cost of said suit
said action, witness our hands & seals this 17th day of September 1790. John Salmon (Seal)
Arch. Campbell (Seal)