which being read and heard the same is by the Court allowed: And it is ordered by the same Court, that the cause of the caption and detention of the same Sleigh Sherwood, Edward Mann Sherwood, Robert Sherwood and Peter Sherwood, together with the record and process aforesaid and all proceedings relating to the same be accordingly transmitted before the Honorable the Judges of the General Court at their Court, to be held for the Eastern Shore of the said State at Talbot County Court-house on the second Tuesday of April next ensuing that the said Judges may further proceed therein as to Justice appertains and so forth —

Benjn. Stevens Clk:

And the Sheriff of the County also came and made return that he had then and there the bodies of the said Sleigh, Edward Mann, Robert and Peter Sherwood agreeable to the exigence of the same writ; And thereupon came as well the said Patrick Ewing by his Attorney aforesaid as the said Sleigh, Edward Mann Robert and Peter Sherwood by their Attorney aforesaid and the said Sleigh, Edward Mann Robert and Peter by their Attorney aforesaid defended the force and injury when and so forth and prayed the liberty of imparling thereon until the second Tuesday of September then next following; and it was granted unto them the same day was given to the aforesaid Patrick Ewing then and so forth — At which day, to wit, the second Tuesday in September, came the parties aforesaid by their Attorneys aforesaid, and the aforesaid Patrick Ewing by his Attorney aforesaid prayed that a rule of Court be made for the aforesaid Sleigh, Edward Mann, Robert and Peter Sherwood to file their plea, and answer to his Declaration aforesaid at the then next April Term; And it was said to the said Sleigh, Edward Mann, Robert and Peter Sherwood at the prayer of the said Patrick Ewing that if they should not answer to the Declaration aforesaid by the time aforesaid, Judgment should be rendered against them by default; the same day was given to the aforesaid Patrick Ewing then and so forth — At which day to wit, the second Tuesday in April, seventeen hundred and eighty nine, came the parties aforesaid by their Attorneys; and the said Sleigh, Edward Mann, Robert and Peter Sherwood by Gustavus Scott their Attorney aforesaid defended the force and injury when and so forth, and prayed Oyer of the writing Obligatory aforesaid and they have it in the words following, to wit; Talbot County fs.

Know all Men by these presents, that I John Sherwood of Talbot County planter are held and firmly bound unto William Brownell, of Phyladelphia, in the sum of three hundred and six pounds current money of Maryland to be paid to the said William Brownell his Executors Administrators or Assigns or certain Attorney, to which payment well and faithfully to be made and done, I bind myself, my Heirs, Executors and Administrators in and for the whole firmly thereby with my Seal sealed and dated this

fourth day of May, in the Year of our Lord seventeen hundred and seventy three. The condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bound John Sherwood, his Heirs, Executors or Administrators do and shall well and faithfully pay or cause to be paid unto the said William Brownell his Executors Administrators Assigns or certain Attorney the full and just sum of one hundred and fifty three pounds, two shillings and eight pence, common current money of Maryland, with legal Interest thereon, then the above Obligation to be void else to be and remain in full force and virtue in Law — N.B. the word pounds in the condition was interlined before execution — Sealed and delivered in presence of

Wm. Hayward —

Jno. Sherwood (Seal)

which being read and heard they also prayed oyer of the several endorsements made on the same writing Obligatory, and they heard them in the words and figures following, to wit; Dorchester County, to wit; Be it remembered that on the twelfth day of March in the Year seventeen hundred and eighty five, personally appeared before me the Subscriber, one of the Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid, John Brownell and William Brownell; and that William Brownell did then declare and affirm, having first taken his solemn affirmation in the manner usual among Quakers, that he hath at no time received any part or parcel of the money mentioned in a certain Bond, passed by a certain John Sherwood, to him the said William on the fourth day of May in the Year seventeen hundred and seventy three, to which this probate and affirmation are annexed, either of him the said John Sherwood in his life time or of any other person since his decease; And that the said John Brownell then made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God, that he hath received at no time whatever any part or parcel of the money mentioned in the said Bond, either of the said John Sherwood or of any other person since his decease And that the said William further declared and affirmed, and the said John Brownell further deposed no security or satisfaction for the same hath been received by either of them from any person whatsoever. In testimony whereof I have hereto set my the day and year first above mentioned

Edward Noel

April 15th 1785, I hereby assign all my right, title and interest to the money mentioned in the within Bond to Patrick Ewing, his Heirs and Assigns value received as witness my hand and seal the day and year aforesaid

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Wm. Brownell (Seal)

which being read and heard they the same Defendants say that the same Patrick Ewing his action aforesaid as Assignee of the said William Brownell against