Maryland, Talbot County, to wit; William McCallum late of Talbot County Planter, was summoned to answer unto Henry Hooper Ds of a plea that he render unto him the full and just sum of four hundred and ninety nine pounds five shillings in Gold and Silver money, which to him he owes and unjustly detains and so forth: And whereupon the same Henry Hooper by Gustavus Scott his Attorney says, that the afs.d William McCallum on the third day of October in the Year of our Lord seventeen hundred eighty and five, at the County afs.d, by his certain writing Obligatory, sealed with his seal, and here into Court now brought the date whereof is the same day and afs.d, acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound to him the same Henry in the afs.d sum of four hundred and ninety nine pounds five shillings in Gold and Silver current money of Maryland (rating Portugal half Johannes at three pounds and Spanish Dollars at seven shillings and six pence per piece) to be paid to the same Henry when ever after he the same William should be thereto required; to the payment whereof well and truly to be made and done he the said William bound himself, his Heirs, Executors and Administrators firmly by the same writing Obligatory: Nevertheless the same William (altho' thereto often required) the afs.d sum of money, or any part thereof, unto the said Henry, yet has not paid but the same or any part thereof to render or pay to him the said Henry, he the said William hitherto altogether has refused, and still doth refuse to render or pay the same, to the damage of the said Henry eight hundred pounds, current money of Maryland, and thereupon he brings this Suit &c — } John Doe &
Gustavus Scott for the Plff. Pledges &c } Richard Roe

The writing Obligatory whereof mention is made in the Declaration afs.d ensues in the words following, to wit; Know all Men by these presents, that we William McCallum and William Ahers of Talbot County Planters, are holden and firmly bound unto Henry Hooper Ds of Dorchester County in the full and just sum of four hundred and ninety nine pounds five shillings in Gold and Silver money (rating Portugal half Johannes at three pounds and Spanish Dollars at seven shillings and six pence per piece) to be paid to the said Henry Hooper Ds his certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators or Assigns: To the which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves and each of us, our and each of our Heirs, Executors,

and Administrators, in the whole and for the whole jointly and severally firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals and dated this third day of October, Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty five — The Condition of the above Obligation is such, that if the above bound William McCallum, his Heirs, Executors and Administrators do and shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said Henry Hooper Ds certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators or Assigns, the just and full sum of two hundred and forty nine pounds, twelve shillings and six pence in Gold and Silver money (rating Portugal half Johannes at three pounds and Spanish Dollars at seven shillings and six pence per piece) 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 presence of — Wm McCallum (Seal)
Wm Cornalls, Joseph Dowson — Wm Ahers (Seal)

And prayed that the said William McCallum to his Declaration afs.d might answer: whereupon it was ruled by the Court here, at the prayer of the said Henry Hooper Ds, that the said William McCallum to the Declaration afs.d should answer by the second Tuesday in April then next following: and it was said to the said William McCallum that if he should not answer to the Declaration afs.d by the time afs.d Judgment should be rendered against him by default: the same day was given to the said Henry Hooper Ds there and so forth — And now here at this day to wit, the second Tuesday in April seventeen hundred and ninety, come the Parties afs.d, by their Attorneys afs.d and the said William McCallum by his Attorney afs.d defends the force and injury when and so forth and says that he cannot gainsay the Action afs.d of the said Henry Hooper Ds, nor can he deny but that he owes to the said Henry the said sum of four hundred and ninety nine pounds, five shillings in Gold and Silver money in manner and form as the said Henry Hooper Ds above against him hath complained: Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the said Henry Hooper Ds do recover against the said William McCallum the debt afs.d in form afs.d acknowledged as also the Quantity of five hundred and forty three pounds and three fifths of a pound of Tobacco as well for his damages which he hath sustained by occasion of the detention of that debt, as for his costs and charges by him about his Suit in this behalf expended, unto the same Henry by