September then next following. At which day to wit, the second Tuesday in September, here came the parties afs.d, by their Attorneys afs.d: and the said Henrietta Maria Chamberlaine by her Attorney afs.d affiled her Declaration in the plea afs.d against the said Mary Bruff in manner and form following, to wit; Talbot County to wit; Mary Bruff late of Talbot County, Executrix of the last Will and Testament of Joseph Bruff deceased was summoned to answer unto Henrietta Maria Chamberlaine, Executrix of the last Will and Testament of James Lloyd Chamberlaine deceased, of a plea, that she render unto her the sum of three hundred and forty pounds current money of Maryland, which she unjustly detains and so forth: And whereupon the said Henrietta Maria Chamberlaine by William Hayward Junior her Attorney saith, that whereas the said Joseph in his life time, to wit, on the third day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty three, at the County afs.d, by his certain Writing Obligatory, sealed with the seal of the said Joseph and his life time, and to the Court here shewn, the date whereof is the same day and year afs.d acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto the same James Lloyd in his life time, in the afs.d sum of three hundred and eighty seven pounds real current money of Maryland, to be paid to the said James Lloyd, his Executors or Administrators when afterwards he the said Joseph should be thereto required: Nevertheless the said Joseph in his life time, or the said Mary since the death of the said Joseph (altho' often required) the afs.d sum of three hundred and eighty seven pounds current money to the said James Lloyd in his life time, or to the said Henrietta after the death of the said James Lloyd have not paid, but have refused to pay them the same; and said Mary still doth refuse to pay the same to the said Henrietta Maria, and unjustly detains the same; to the damage of the said Henrietta Maria five hundred pounds current money, and thereupon she brings Suit and so forth —

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And the said Henrietta Maria Chamberlaine brings here into Court the Letters Testamentary of the said James Lloyd Chamberlaine, whereby it sufficiently appears to the Court here, that the afs.d Henrietta Maria is Executrix of the Testament and last Will of the afs.d James Lloyd Chamberlaine, and thereupon to have Administration and so forth —

The Writing Obligatory whereof mention is made in the Declaration afs.d ensues in the words following to wit; Maryland ss. Know all Men by these presents, that I Joseph Bruff of Talbot County Gent. stand held and firmly bound unto James Lloyd Chamberlaine of the said County Merchant in the full and just sum of three hundred and forty pounds current money of Maryland, to be paid unto the said James Lloyd Chamberlaine his certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators or Assigns: To the which payment well and truly to be made and done I hereby bind my self, my Heirs, Executors and Administrators firmly by these presents. Sealed with my seal, and dated this seventh day of February Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy four — The Condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bound Joseph Bruff do, and shall well and truly, pay, or cause to be paid, unto the said James Lloyd Chamberlaine, his certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators or Assigns the just and full sum of one hundred and seventy pounds ten shillings and five pence, current money of Maryland, with legal Interest for the same, then the above Obligation to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue in Law. Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of — James Bracco. } Joseph Bruff (Seal)

And the said Mary Bruff by her Attorney afs.d defendes the force and injury when and so forth; ~~and~~ prayed leave to imparl therein until the second Tuesday in April then next following; and it was granted unto her, the same day was given to the said Henrietta Maria Chamberlaine 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 Mary Bruff by her Attorney afs.d saith that she cannot gainsay the Action afs.d of the said