five hundred and forty pounds current money to the said Andrew and Richard hath not rendered or paid, but the same to them hitherto to render or pay hath altogether refused and still doth refuse; wherefore they say they are the worse and hath damage to the value of five hundred and forty pounds current money aforesaid, and therefore they bring suit and so forth; and bring here into Court the writing obligatory aforesaid: sealed with the Seal of the aforesaid John Sayer Blake which the Debt aforesaid, in form aforesaid witnesseth, the date whereof is the day and year aforesaid, and so forth.

Geo. Scott for the Plaintiff pledges, and so forth - John Doe & Richard Roe.

And the aforesaid John Sayer Blake by James Tilghman his Attorney comes and defends the Force and injury, when and so forth, and prays an hearing of the writing obligatory aforesaid, and the Condition thereof, and he hath them as follows, to wit: Maryland ss.

Know all men by these presents that I John Sayer Blake of Queen Anne County am held and firmly bound unto Messrs. Andrew and Richard Skinner of Talbot County in the full and just sum of five hundred and forty pounds current money of Maryland rating Spanish milled Dollars at seven shillings and six pence each to be paid unto the said Messrs. Andrew and Richard Skinner their certain Attorney, Exors, Admrs or Assigns: to which payment well and truly to be made and done, I bind myself, my heirs, Exors and Admrs each and every of them jointly and severally for and in the whole sum firmly by these presents sealed with my seal and dated this sixteenth day of March seventeen hundred and eighty seven. The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound John Sayer Blake, his Exors, Admrs or Assigns shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said Messrs. Andrew and Richard Skinner, their Exors, Admrs or Assigns the full sum of two hundred and seventy pounds current money of Maryland, rating Spanish milled Dollars at seven shillings and six pence each at two different payments, that is to say, the one payment to be made on the first day of December one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven; the other on the first day of October

seven hundred and eighty eight with legal Interest on the same; then this obligation to be void, and of no effect, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in Law.

Sealed & delivered in presence of The word pounds in the third Line first interlined. Robert Browne, Robt. Tate } Jno. Sayr Blake (Seal)

On the Back of the original Bond was thus endorsed, to wit: - 5th Feby 1788. Received of John Sayer Blake eight half Joes in part of the within Bond - £4.4.0. Jeff. Ard. Skinner.

And the aforesaid John Sayer Blake by his Attorney aforesaid defended the Force and injury when and so forth, and prayed leave to imparle thereto until the second Tuesday of September next; and it was granted unto him, and the same day was given the aforesaid Andrew and Richard and so forth. At which day, to wit, the second Tuesday of September, Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine came again the parties aforesaid by their Attorneys aforesaid; And thereupon further proceeding 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 of April next following.

And now here at this day, to wit, the second Tuesday of April one thousand seven hundred and ninety here come again the parties aforesaid by their Attorneys aforesaid and the said John Sayer Blake by James Tilghman his Attorney defends the Force and injury when and so forth, and saith that he cannot gainsay the action aforesaid of the said Andrew and Richard Skinner so as aforesaid against him brought, nor but that the writing obligatory aforesaid is the Deed of him the said John Sayer Blake, nor but that he owes to the said Andrew and James the aforesaid sum of five hundred and forty pounds in manner and form aforesaid so as the aforesaid Andrew and Richard above against him have declared. Therefore it is considered by the Court here, that the said Andrew and Richard Skinner do recover against the said John Sayer Blake their Debt aforesaid in form aforesaid acknowledged; as also the quantity of five hundred and two pounds and one fifth of a pound of Tobacco; as well for their Damages which they have sustained by occasion of the Detention of that debt as for his