Judgment was confessed in this Action on the seventeenth day of September seventeen hundred and ninety, for penalty and costs: penalty to be released on payment of Principal, Interest and Costs – Payments if any to be allowed – Stay of Execution till April Term then next following.

State of Maryland } Be it remembered that on the second Tuesday of
vs } April, being the thirteenth day of the same Month,
Robert Wright } Anno Domini seventeen hundred and ninety, the

State of Maryland by Luther Martin Esquire, Attorney General of the said State cometh into Court here and exhibiteth to the said Court a certain Bill of Privilege against Robert Wright Esquire, one of the Attorneys of the same Court, the tenor whereof ensueth in the words following, to wit –

State of Maryland, &c. The State of Maryland complains of Robert Wright Gentleman an Attorney of this Court of the said State being present here in Court in his proper person of a plea that he render unto the said State the sum of four hundred and seventy eight pounds eight shillings and four pence, current money of Maryland which he owes to the said State and unjustly detains &c. – And whereupon the said State by Luther Martin Attorney General of the said State, complains that whereas on the thirtieth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, at the County of Queen Anne, the said Robert by his writing obligatory acknowledged himself to be bound to the said State of Maryland in the said sum of four hundred and seventy eight pounds eight shillings and four pence current money to be paid to the said State of Maryland whenever after the said Robert should be required – Nevertheless the said Robert altho often required, hath not paid to the said State of Maryland the said sum of money or any part thereof, but hitherto hath altogether refused and still doth refuse to pay the same to the said State, to the Damage of the said State of Maryland in the sum of one hundred pounds current money of Maryland and therefore the said State prays Relief &c. and brings here into Court the said writing obligatory which testifies the said Debt, which is sealed with the seal of the said Robert and is dated the day and year aforesaid and so forth –

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And the said Robert present in the said Court in his proper person defended the force and injury when &c. and prayed an hearing of the writing obligatory whereof mention

is made in the Bill aforesaid, as also of the Condition thereof, and he had them in the words following, to wit: Know all men by these presents, that I Robert Wright of Kent County in the State of Maryland am held and firmly bound unto the State of Maryland in the full and just sum of four hundred and seventy eight pounds eight shillings and four pence current money, to be paid to the said State – To which payment well and truly to be made and done, I bind myself, my Heirs, Exors and Admrs for and in the whole sum firmly by these presents, sealed with my seal, and dated this last day of September seventeen hundred and eighty seven – The Condition of the above obligation is such, that if the above bound Robert Wright, his Heirs, Exors or Admrs do and shall well and faithfully pay to the said State the sum of two hundred and thirty nine pounds four shillings and two pence current money with legal Interest for the same, on or before the last day of September seventeen hundred and eighty nine, that the above Obligation to be void else of force.

Sealed and delivered in presence } Robert Wright (Seal)
of Luther Martin. }

Which being read and heard, the said Robert prayed leave to imparl thereof until the second Tuesday of September then next following, and it was granted unto him, and the same day was given to the said State of Maryland then &c. And now here at this day, to wit, the second Tuesday of September seventeen hundred and ninety, come as well the said State by her Attorney General as aforesaid, as the said Robert in his proper person; and the said State by her Attorney General aforesaid, pray that the said Robert to the Declaration of her the said State may answer; Whereupon it is ruled by the Court at the prayer of the said State by her Attorney aforesaid, that the said Robert should answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the said State, by Monday the twenty seventh of this present month, and it is said to the said Robert that if he should not answer to the Declaration aforesaid, by the day aforesaid, Judgment should be rendered against him by default; the same day was given to the said State there &c. And now here at this time, to wit, the twenty seventh day of this present Month, come the said State of Maryland by her Attorney Attorney aforesaid, as also the said Robert in his proper person; and the said Robert as before defends the force and injury when and so forth, and saith that he cannot gainsay the Action