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Know all men by these presents that I Daniel Nicolls of Dorchester County in the State of Maryland, am held and firmly bound James Douglass of Sussex County and State of Delaware in the full and just sum of two hundred and seventy pounds in Gold & Silver money (reating half Joes at sixty shillings each and Spanish Milled Dollars at seven shillings and six pence each) to be paid to the said James Douglass, or to his certain Attorney, his Heirs, Exors, Admrs or Assigns: to which payment well and truly to be made, I bind myself, my Heirs, Exors and Admrs in the whole firmly by these presents, sealed with my seal, and dated this seventeenth day of March Anno Domini seventeen hundred and eighty six.

The Condition of the above obligation is such, that if the above Daniel Nicolls, his Heirs, Exors or Admrs do and shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the above named James Douglass, or to his certain Attorney, his Heirs, Exors, Admrs or Assigns the full and just sum of one hundred and thirty five pounds like money as above mentioned, at or before the first day of January next ensuing the date of these presents with legal Interest for the same, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and Virtue in Law.

Sealed and delivered in presence of } Danl. Nicols (seal)
Daniel Godwin, L. Richardson }

Which being read and heard the said Daniel Nicols by his Attorney aforesaid prayed leave to imparl therein here until the Monday before the second Tuesday in March then next ensuing and it was granted unto him; the same day was given to the said James Douglass thereof &c. At which day, to wit, the said Monday before the second Tuesday in March in the year seventeen hundred and eighty nine, here came again as well the said James Douglass as the said Daniel Nicolls by their Attorneys aforesaid: and the said Daniel Nicolls by his Attorney aforesaid prayed the further liberty of imparling thereof until the Monday

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before the second Tuesday in June then next following, and it was granted unto him the same day was given to the said James Douglass thereof &c. And now here at this day, to wit, the Monday before the second Tuesday in June aforesaid, here come again as well the said James Douglass as the said Daniel Nicols by their Attorneys aforesaid; and the said Daniel Nicolls by his Attorney aforesaid produceth to the Court here a Writ of Habeas Corpus of the said State of Maryland to the Justices and Sheriff aforesaid directed, the tenor whereof ensues in the following words and figures, to wit.

The State of Maryland, ss. To the Justices and Sheriff of Dorchester County, Greeting. Whereas a certain Daniel Nicolls late of Dorchester County planter is detained in the prison of our said County, under the custody of you our said Sheriff, at the suit of a certain James Douglass of a plea of Debt and so forth; which said plea as it is said, still depends before you our said Justices undetermined; and we being willing for divers causes, that the plea aforesaid, undetermined as aforesaid, should be heard and determined before the Judges of our General Court: Therefore we command you that you have the body of the said Daniel Nicolls by whatsoever name or names he may be called in the plea aforesaid, together with the cause of his caption and detention, and all things thereunto relating, before the Judges of our General Court, to be held for the Eastern Shore of this State, in Talbot County, at the Court house in the same County, the second Tuesday of September next, that our said Judges of our said General Court may further proceed therein as to Justice appertains and so forth. Hereof fail not at your peril, and have you then and there this Writ. Witness the Honorable Robert Hanson Harrison, Esquire, Chief Judge of our said Court, the 6th day of May Anno Domini 1789.

Issued the 11th day of August Anno Domini 1789.

G. Scott. James Earle Clk.

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 said Daniel