and Jesse King late of somerset County planter, and Jesse King late of somerset County planter were summoned to answer unto William Adams of a plea that they render unto him the sum of five hundred and forty five pounds current Money of Maryland which to him they owe and unjustly detain and so forth, And whereupon the said William Adams by William Polk his Attorney says that whereas the said Levin Dennington and Jesse King on the fifteenth day of July anno Domini seventeen hundred and ninety two at somerset County aforesaid by their certain writing Obligatory which the said Adams Dated with the seals of the said Dennington and King here into Court produces whose date is on the same day and year aforesaid and did acknowledge themselves to be held and firmly bound unto the said William Adams in the sum of nine hundred and forty five pounds current money of Maryland to be paid to the said Adams when they the said Dennington and King should be thereunto afterwards required Nevertheless the said Levin Dennington and Jesse King often required hath not rendered or paid the said sum of nine hundred and forty five pounds Current money of Maryland to the said William Adams, but the same to him to render or pay hitherto altogether hath denied and refused, and still do refuse to the damage of the said William Adams two thousand pounds current money of Maryland and therefore he brings suit and so forth,

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Know all men by these presents that we Levin Dennington and Jesse King of somerset County and State of Maryland are held and firmly bound unto William Adams of the County and State aforesaid in the full and just sum of nine hundred and forty five pounds specie to be paid to the said William Adams or to his certain Attorney Executors Administrators or assigns to which payment well and truly to be made and done we bind ourselves our heirs Executors and Administrators firmly by these presents Sealed with our seals and Dated this 15th day of July Anno Domini 1790. The Condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bounden Levin Dennington

his heirs executors Administrators or any of them shall and do well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the above mentioned William Adams or to his certain attorney heirs executors Administrators or assigns the full full and just sum of four hundred and seventy two pounds ten shillings specie with legal interest that is to say I bind myself to pay one hundred pounds annualy untill the above sum of four hundred and seventy two pounds ten shillings be paid and with the Interest thereon then this Obligation to be void and of none effect else to remain in full force and virtue in law,

Sealed and Delivered in the presence of — John Bloodsworth, William King

Levin Dennington (Seal)
Jesse King (Seal)

And whereupon the said Levin Dennington and Jesse King by their attorney aforesaid come and defend the force and injury when &c and pray leave to imparle untill the next Court to be held at Princess Ann Town the second monday in November then next following and they have it and the same day is given to the aforesaid William Adams here also &c. At which said second monday in November came the parties aforesaid by their attornies aforesaid and hereupon the said Levin Dennington and Jesse King produces to the Justices of the County Court aforesaid in Court Judicially sitting a writ of Habeas Corpus the tenor whereof is as follows (Viz.) The State of Maryland to the Justices and Sheriff of somerset County Greeting. whereas a certain Levin Dennington and Jesse King are detained in the prison of our said County, under the custody of you our said Sheriff at the suit of a certain William Adams Junior of a plea of Debt and so forth. which said plea as it is in our state 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 bodies of the said Levin Dennington and Jesse King by whatsoever name or names they may be called in the plea aforesaid together with the cause of their caption and detention