here in Court by Benjamin Dashiell his attorney and thereupon further process of and upon the premiss aforesaid between the parties aforesaid And by Consent of the said parties and their Attorneys and by order of Court was continued until the second Tuesday in April then next following: At which said second Tuesday in April to wit, in the year Seventeen hundred and ninety four, come here again the parties aforesaid by their attorneys aforesaid, and the said State of Maryland by her attorney aforesaid, filed her Declaration in the plea aforesaid against the said John Leatherbury in the words following to wit, State of Maryland &c. John Leatherbury late of Somerset County Gentleman, was summoned to answer unto the State of Maryland of a plea that he render unto the said State of Maryland the full summ and just Quantity of two hundred thousand pounds of good sound merchantable leaf Tobacco and Cash which to the said State he owes and unjustly detains and so forth, And whereupon the said State of Maryland, by Luther Martin its attorney saith that whereas the said John Leatherbury on the twelfth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety one at the County of Somerset by his writing Obligatory, Sealed with the seal of the said John and to the Court now here shewn, the date whereof is the day and year aforesaid acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto the said State of Maryland in the aforesaid summ of current money of Maryland to be paid to the said State of Maryland when afterwards he should be thereunto required; Nevertheless the aforesaid John Leatherbury although often requested, hath not paid the aforesaid summ of money aforesaid to the said State of Maryland, but hitherto altogether refused and still doth refuse to pay to the said State the said summ of money to the Damage of the said State in the summ of one hundred pounds current money of Maryland and therefore the said State brings suit &c.

Pledges of Prosecuting. John Doe, Richard Roe } L. Martin for the State.

The writing Obligatory mentioned in the foregoing Declaration moves as follows to wit, Maryland to wit. Know all men by these presents that we John Leatherbury, John Denwood and Thomas Denwood Woolford of Somerset County and State aforesaid are holden and firmly bound unto the State of Maryland in the full summ and just Quantity of two hundred thousand pounds of good, sound merchantable leaf Tobacco and Cash: to be paid to the said State: To the which payment

well and truly to be made and done we bind ourselves and every of us our and every of our heirs Executors and Administrators jointly and severally for the whole and entire whole firmly by these presents Sealed with our seals and Dated this 12th day of July in the year of our Lord anno Domini 1791.

The Condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bounden John Leatherbury do well and truly serve the State of Maryland in the Office of High Sheriff of the County of Somerset within the State aforesaid, and in all things well and faithfully execute the same Office and also shall render unto the said State, and other its Officers, a true faithful and perfect account of all and singular the said States rights and dues and his Officers a true and just account of their fees that he shall be or may be entrusted to receive and collect, and pay his account to the said State for the fines and forfeitures and other dues belonging to the said State; as also his account of all fees dues and sums of money or Tobacco wherewith the said Sheriff shall be entrusted during the time of his Sheriffalty for this present year, onto such of them as shall require the same; shall pass and render by the twentieth day of October next ensuing the date hereof, and in all things as Sheriff of Somerset County shall behave himself well and honestly towards all persons according to the best of his power skill and knowledge: Then this Obligation to be void and of no effect or else to stand in full force strength and virtue.

Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of — John Doe, Henry Jackson

J. Leatherbury (Seal)
John Denwood (Seal)
Thos D. Woolford (Seal)

and the said State of Maryland by her attorney aforesaid prayed that the said John Leatherbury might be ruled to file his plea in answer to the Declaration aforesaid on or before the second Tuesday in September then next following or that Judgment on default thereof against him might be rendered and it was granted unto her the same day was given to the said John Leatherbury there &c. At which said second Tuesday in September to wit, in the year Seventeen hundred and ninety four came here again the parties aforesaid by their attorneys and the said State of Maryland by her attorney aforesaid prayed that the said John Leatherbury might be further ruled to file his plea in answer to the Declaration aforesaid on or before the second Tuesday in April then next or that Judgment on default thereof against him might be rendered and it was granted unto her the same day was given to the said John Leatherbury there &c.

And now here on this day to wit the second Tuesday in April