At the time of making of the aforegoing Writ the said Samuel & John Wanden by their Attorney declared in the plea aft. as follows to wit State of Maryland Eastern Shore to wit John Page late of Kent County Gentleman and Henry Page late of the same County Gentleman Executors of the Testament and last Will of John Page late of the County aft. deceased otherwise called John Page Esquire of Swan Creek Kent County Maryland were summoned to answer unto Samuel & John Wanden of a plea that they the said John Page and Henry Page render unto them the said Samuel & John Wanden the sum of sixteen hundred and ninety eight pounds eleven shillings current Money of the State of Maryland which from them the said Samuel & John Wanden they the said John Page and Henry Page executors aft. jointly detain &c. And Thompson the said Samuel and John Wanden by Charles Goldsborough their Attorney say that Whereas the said John Page now deceased in his lifetime to wit on the thirteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight at Kent County aft. by his certain writing Obligatory with his seal sealed and to the Court here now produced and shewn the date whereof is the same day and year aft. acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto the said Samuel and John Wanden by the name and appellation of Samuel Wanden of the City of Philadelphia & John Wanden of the City of London surviving partners of Samuel Wanden & Sons late of Philadelphia Merchants in the sum of sixteen hundred and ninety eight pounds eleven shillings in specie equal to Spanish pieces of eight at seven shillings and six pence each to be paid to the said Samuel & John Wanden when he the said John Page should afterwards be thereunto required to which payment well and truly to be made and done the said John Page bound himself his Heirs Executors and Administrators and every of them firmly by the said Writing and the said Samuel & John Wanden in fact say that the said sum of sixteen hundred and ninety eight pounds eleven shillings in specie equal to Spanish pieces of eight at seven shillings and six pence each was at the time of making the aforesaid Writing Obligatory aft. ever since hath been and yet is of the value of sixteen hundred and ninety eight pounds eleven shillings current Money of the State of Maryland to wit at Kent County aft. whereof the said John Page the deceased in his lifetime and the said John Page and Henry Page his Executors after the death of the said John Page respectively had notice to wit at the County aft. yet the said John Page the deceased in his lifetime and the said John Page and Henry Page his Executors since the death of the said John Page at the often thereunto required the aft. sum of sixteen hundred and ninety eight pounds eleven shillings in specie equal to Spanish pieces of eight at seven

shillings and six pence each and in part of the same or the value thereof in current Money of the State of Maryland as aft. or any or any part of such is due to the said Samuel and John Wanden or either of them have not yet paid, but the same to them the said Samuel & John Wanden or either of them to pay have altogether refused and the said John Page and Henry Page their Executors aft. do refuse to the Damage of the said Samuel and John Wanden two thousand pounds current Money of the State of Maryland, and therefore they bring suit &c. John Dorsey Richard Ross Pledges &c. Copy of the Writing Obligatory mentioned in the aforegoing Declaration follows in these Words to wit Know all Men by these presents that I John Page Esquire of Swan Creek Kent County Maryland am held and firmly bound unto Samuel & Wanden of the City of Philadelphia & John Wanden of the City of London surviving Partners to Samuel Wanden & Sons late of Philadelphia Merchants in the sum of sixteen hundred and ninety eight pounds eleven shillings in specie equal to Spanish Pieces of eight at seven shillings and six pence each to be paid to the said Samuel & John Wanden or to their certain Attorney Executors Administrators or Assigns to which payment well and truly to be made I bind my self my Heirs Executors and Administrators firmly by these presents sealed with my seals dated this thirteenth day of February in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and eighty eight The Condition of the above Obligation is such, that if the above bounden John Page Esquire his Heirs Executors or Administrators or any of them shall and do well and truly pay or cause to be paid to the above named Samuel & John Wanden or to their certain Attorney Executors Administrators or assigns the sum and full sum of Eight hundred and forty nine pounds five shillings and six pence lawfull Money aft. on the first day of August next with lawfull Interest from the date until paid without fraud or further delay, then the above Obligation to be void, else to be and remain in full force and virtue

John Page (Seal)

Filed & Delivered in the presence of us Richard Hutchinson Isaac Thomson

A Copy of which said Declaration and Oyer was copied and sent together with the Writ to the Sheriff to be served on the Defendant or left at his place of abode

At which said second Tuesday of April Anno Dominii 1798 being the return day of the aforegoing Writ comes here into Court the said Samuel & John Wanden by their Attorney aft. and the Sheriff of Kent County to whom the said Writ was directed makes return thereof to the Court here that he executed the Writ Capias Corpora Declaration &c. 19 March 1798 Jos. Sners Shff

Whereupon the said John & Henry Page being called comes here against the Court by Luther Martin their Attorney defends the force &c.