up in form aforesd Acknowledged as also the quantity of Seven hundred and Seventy five pounds of Tobacco which were adjudged unto the Said Thomas Robertson as well for his Damages which he had Sustained by occasion of the detention of that Debt as for his Costs and Charges by him about his Suit in that behalf expended, and the Said Benjamin Wilson and William C. Hitch in mercy &c.

James Earle junior Clk.

Judgment was rendered in this Action on the 12th day of April 1796. for £100. Current Money & Costs, & for £32 10. 0. Damages: Stay of Execution till next Term —

John & Cyprus Mitchell against Peter Peterson

Be it remembered that on the fourth day of March Seventeen hundred and ninety five, Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take Peter Peterson late of Somerset County Merchant if in his Bailiwick he should be found and him in his Custody should safely keep so that he should have his Body before our General Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of this State at Easton in Talbot County the Second Tuesday in April then next following to answer unto John Mitchell & Cyprus Mitchell of a plea that he render unto them the Sum of Five hundred and fifty pounds Current Money of Maryland which to them he owes and unjustly detains &c. And that he should have then and there that Writ. At which Said day, to wit, the second tuesday in April Seventeen hundred and ninety five, here came the Said John & Cyprus Mitchell by Nicholas Hammond their Attorney and the Sheriff of the County aforesd made return to the Court here of the aforegoing Writ, thereon thus endorsed, to wit, "Cepi so answers Levin Ballard Shff." And the Said Peter Peterson by Josiah Bayly his Attorney came here into Court and prayed the liberty of imparling thereof until the second tuesday of September then next following, and it was granted unto him, the Same day was given to the Said John & Cyprus there &c. At which Said Second tuesday of September Seventeen hundred and ninety five here came the parties aforesd by their Attornies aforesd, and the Said John & Cyprus by their Attorney aforesd filed their Declaration in the plea aforesd against the Said Peter in manner & form following, to wit, The Eastern Shore, Somerset County, to wit, Peter Peterson late of Somerset County Merchant, was summoned to answer unto John Mitchell and Cyprus Mitchell of a plea that he render unto them the Sum of Five hundred and fifty pounds Current money of Maryland which to them he owes and unjustly detains &c. And whereupon the Same John & Cyprus Mitchell by Nicholas Hammond their Attorney say that the Said Peter Peterson on the twenty seventh day of September in the year Seventeen hundred and eighty eight at Somerset County aforesd by his certain Writing Obligatory, which Said Writing Obligatory Sealed with the Seal of the Said Peter Peterson and Subscribed by him the Said Peter Peterson by the name and Signature of Peterson Taylor & Co. the Said John & Cyprus Mitchell here into Court as bring, the date whereof is the Same day and year aforesd acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound to the Said John & Cyprus Mitchell

and to a certain James Brotton, who is since deceased, from whom the Said John & Cyprus Mitchell have Survived in the aforesd Sum of Five hundred and fifty pounds, Gold and Silver Specie, that is to say, Current Money of Maryland, to be paid to the Said John and Cyprus Mitchell and the Said James Brotton, who is since deceased, to whom the Said John & Cyprus Mitchell have Survived, when he the Said Peter Peterson should be thereto afterwards required: To the payment whereof well and truly to be made and done the Said Peter Peterson did bind himself firmly by the Same Writing. Nevertheless the Said Peter Peterson altho often thereto required the Sum of Money aforesd or any part thereof to the Said John & Cyprus Mitchell & the Said James Brotton in the lifetime of the Said James Brotton, or to either of them, or to the Said John & Cyprus Mitchell after the death of the Said James Brotton, yet hath not paid, but the Said Sum of Money to the Said John & Cyprus Mitchell & the Said James Brotton in the lifetime of the Said John & Cyprus Mitchell after the death of the Said James Brotton, to pay, the Said Peter Peterson hath hitherto altogether refused and the Said Sum of Money to the Said John and Cyprus Mitchell to pay doth still refuse, to the damage of the Said John and Cyprus Mitchell in the Sum of One thousand pounds Current Money: And therefore they bring this Suit &c.

Nicholas Hammond Atty.

John Doe & Rich. Roe Plaiges &c.

The Writing Obligatory aforementioned ensues in the following words & figures, to wit, —

Know all Men by these presents that we Peterson, Taylor, & Company of the County of Somerset & State of Maryland Merchants are held and firmly bound unto John Mitchell James Brotton & Cyprus Mitchell of the County of Sussex & State of Delaware in the Penal Sum of Five hundred and fifty pounds Gold and Silver Specie to be paid to the Said John Mitchell, James Brotton, and Cyprus Mitchell or to their certain Attorney Executor Administrator or assigns for which Payments well and truly to be made and done we bind ourselves and each of our Hrs firmly by these presents Sealed with our Seals and dated this twenty Seventh day of September Seventeen hundred and eighty & eight — AD 1788. — The Condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bounden Peterson, Taylor & Company doth well & truly pay or cause to be paid unto the Said John Mitchell, James Brotton & Cyprus Mitchell or their heirs or assigns the just and full Sum of Two hundred and seventy five pounds Specie payable in Spanish milled Dollars at seven Shillings & six pence with Interest from the date to be paid on or before the eleventh day of February Seventeen hundred and ~~eighty~~ nine that then the above Obligation to be void also of none effect otherwise to be and remain in full force power and virtue in Law.

Peterson, Taylor & Co. (Seal)

Signed Sealed & delivered in the presence of us

Bart Hennedy — James Buchanan

And the Said Peter by his Attorney aforesd defendes the wrong and injury when &c. and prayed the liberty of imparling thereof until the Second tuesday of April then next following, and it was granted unto him, the Same day was given to the Said John & Cyprus there &c. And now here at this day, to wit, the second tuesday of April Seventeen hundred and ninety six, came again the Parties aforesd by their Attornies aforesd and the Said Peter by his Attorney aforesd saith