And the said Charles Adams being called, appeared in Court by Thomas James Bullitt and Henry Maggaman Esquires his Attorneys; Thereupon it was ruled by the Court that at the Prayer of the said William Hughlett that the said Charles Adams answer to the Writ of Scirefacias of the said William Hughlett in the plea aforesaid. And the said Charles by his Attorneys aforesaid defended the force and injury when &c. and prayed leave to imparle until the next Term and he has it; the same day was given to the said William Hughlett there &c. — And now here at this day, to wit, the second Tuesday of April in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight comes again into Court the Parties aforesaid by their Attorneys aforesaid, and the said Charles Adams by his Attorney aforesaid says, that the said William Hughlett ought not to have his Execution aforesaid against him the said Charles Adams for the said sum of one thousand Pounds current money and for the said Quantity of five hundred and seventy three Pounds of Tobacco, in the said Writ of Scirefacias mentioned, or any part thereof, because he says that there is not any such Record of the Judgment aforesaid and Recovery aforesaid in the General Court, as the said William Hughlett by his Writ aforesaid hath above suppose; and this he is ready to verify; wherefore he prays Judgment if the said William Hughlett ought to have his Execution aforesaid for the said sum of money and Quantity of Tobacco, or any part thereof, against him the said Charles Adams &c. and the said Charles Adams by leave of the Court here first had and obtained according to the form of the Statute in such case made and provided comes and further says that the said Hughlett ought not to have his Execution against him for the said sum of one thousand Pounds Current money, and for the said Quantity of five hundred and seventy three Pounds of Tobacco in the said Writ of Scirefacias mentioned, or any part thereof, because he says, that after the Recovery of the Judgment aforesaid, in the Writ of Scirefacias aforesaid above mentioned, and before the suing of the said Writ of Scirefacias, to wit, on the day of in the year of our Lord Seventeen hundred ninety and at Dorchester County, he the said Adams gave to him the said Hughlett, the said sum of one thousand Pounds current money, and the said Quantity of five hundred and seventy three Pounds of Tobacco in satisfaction and discharge of the Judgment aforesaid which said sum of money and Quantity of Tobacco the said Hughlett then and there received and accepted in full satisfaction and discharge of the Judgment aforesaid; and this the said Adams is ready to verify: Wherefore he prays Judgment if the said Hughlett ought to have his Execution against him for the said sum of money, and Quantity of Tobacco, or any part thereof &c. Nevertheless the said Charles Adams relinquishing his exception aforesaid by him above pleaded saith that he cannot shew cause why the said William Hughlett should not have his Execution for the said Debt, Damages, Costs and Charges in the Writ of Scirefacias aforesaid mentioned against him the said Charles Adams. Therefore it is considered by the Court here, that the said William Hughlett have Execution against the said Charles Adams for as well the Debt, Damages, Costs and Charges aforesaid, in the Writ of Scirefacias aforesaid mentioned according to the force form and effect of the recovery aforesaid as the Quantity of five hundred and eighty three Pounds of Tobacco to the said William Hughlett on his Account by the Court here adjudged for his Costs and Charges which he hath sustained by reason of the delay of the Execution of the Judgment aforesaid; and the said Charles Adams in mercy &c. Test, James Earle Jun.r Clk.

Memorandum — That 13th of April 1798 Ray till next Term, payments if any to be allowed.

William Smith Senior and William Smith, Junior
against
Thomas Nicols

Writ of Habeas Corpus to the Justices and Sheriff of Caroline County directed.

Be it remembered that on the eighth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety six a certain Thomas Nicols by Ann Lyons his Attorney issued out of our General Court for the Eastern Shore of the State of Maryland a Writ of Habeas Corpus to the Justices and Sheriff of Caroline County, directed in the words and figures following, to wit. — The State of Maryland. To the Justices and Sheriff of Caroline County greeting; Whereas a certain Thomas Nicols is detained in the Prison of our said County, under the custody of you our said Sheriff at the suit of a certain William Smith Junior and William Smith Junior by a plea of Trespass upon the Case, which said plea as it is said still depends before you our said Justices, undetermined; and we being willing for divers causes that the said plea and matters aforesaid should be heard and determined before the Judges of our General Court — Therefore command you that you have the body of the said Thomas Nicols by whatsoever name or names he may be called in the said plea 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 at Easton in Talbot County on the second Tuesday in April next, that the Judges of our said General Court may further proceed therein to do justice according to law and right. — Hereof fail not at your peril and have you there and there this Writ, Witness the Honble Nicholas Brewington Ridgely Judge of our said Court the thirteenth day of Sept.r 1795. Issued the 8th day of October Anno Domini 1796. — Pr. James Earle Junr Clerk.

At which said second Tuesday of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven (being the day for the return of the aforegoing Writ of Habeas Corpus) came into Court the said William Smith Senior and William Smith Junior by Thomas James Bullitt Esquire their Attorney, and the Justices and Sheriff of Caroline County to whom the said Writ of Habeas Corpus was directed, made return thereof to our General Court with the following Record thereto annexed, to wit. —

Caroline County, to wit, At a County Court of the State of Maryland held for Caroline County, at Denton in the said County, in Virtue of an Act of Assembly entitled "An Act for the better Administration of Justice &c." on the second Monday in October being the tenth day of the same Month in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and ninety six, before the Honorable John Done Esquire and his Associates, the State's Justices of the said County Court duly assigned to keep the peace, whom were present. —

John Done Esquire Chief Justice
Henry Downes & William Whitely Esqrs. Associate Justices

Dekar Thompson Esq. Shff.
Thomas Richardson Clerk —

William Smith Junr. alias William Smith Senior
against
Thomas Nicols

Caroline County Sct. Command was given to the Sheriff of Caroline County the twenty fifth day of August seventeen hundred and ninety five, that he should take Thomas Nicols late of Caroline County