Whereupon a certain David Kerr of Talbot County came into Court in his own proper person, and with the consent of the said John Bennett by his Attorney aforesaid, became pledge and bail for the said John Harwood, that if should happen that the said John Harwood should be convicted at the suit of the said John Bennett in the plea aforesaid, then the said David Kerr consented that as well the Debt aforesaid, as all such Damages, Costs and Charges as should be adjudged unto the said John Bennett in this behalf, should be made of his body, Lands and Chattels and levied to the use of the said John Bennett, if it should happen that the said John Harwood should not pay the said Debt, Damages, Costs and Charges, or render himself to the prison & Custody of the Sheriff of the County aforesaid on that occasion — And the said John Harwood by his Attorney aforesaid defended the force and injury when &c. and prayed leave of the Court to imparle unto the next Term, and he had it, the same day was given to the said John Bennett there &c — At which said next Term, to wit, the second Tuesday of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven came again into Court the parties &c by their Attorneys aforesaid, And thereupon it was ruled by the Court at the prayer of the said John Harwood by his Attorney aforesaid that the said John Bennett declare against him the said John Harwood in the plea aforesaid by the second Tuesday of April then next following — The same day was given to the parties aforesaid there &c — And now here, at this day, to wit, the second Tuesday of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight, comes again into Court the parties aforesaid by their Attorneys aforesaid, and the said John Bennett by his Attorney aforesaid Declares against the said John Harwood in the plea &c in manner and form following, to wit — Eastern Shore Maryland, Talbot County to wit, John Harwood late of Talbot County Gentleman, was summoned to answer unto John Bennett of a plea that he render unto him the sum of one hundred and fourteen pounds Specie, of the value of the like sum of Current money of Maryland which from him he unjustly detains and so forth — And whereupon the said John Bennett by Richard Tilghman Earle his Attorney says, that whereas the aforesaid John Harwood on the nineteenth day of April in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety six, at the County aforesaid, by his certain ~~writing~~ Bill obligatory sealed with his Seal and to the Court here shewn the date of which is the same day and year, did promise and oblige himself his Heirs, Executors and Administrators to pay unto the said John Bennett his certain Attorney, Heirs or Assigns the sole and just sum of one hundred and fourteen pounds Specie, of the value of the like sum of Current money of Maryland for value of him received, on demand, for the true payment whereof the said John Harwood did bound himself, his Heirs, Executors and Administrators firmly by the said Bill — Nevertheless the said John Harwood &c all the often thereunto required &c the said sum

of money to the said John Bennett yet hath not rendered or paid, but the same to him to render or pay he hath altogether refused and still doth refuse, to his Damage two hundred pounds Current money, and therefore he brings suit and so forth — Richard T. Earle for Plff. Pledges &c. John Doe and Richard Roe. —

Copy of Bill obligatory — I promise and oblige myself my Heirs, Executors and Administrators, to pay unto John Bennett his certain Attorney, Heirs or Assigns the sole and just sum of one hundred and fourteen pounds Specie for value received. Witness my hand and seal this the 19th of April 1796 —

Witness, Lecdwick Mariner — John Harwood . Seal

And thereupon the said John Harwood by his Attorney aforesaid further defends the force and injury when &c. and says, that he cannot gainsay the action aforesaid of the said John Bennett so as aforesaid against him brought, nor can he deny but that he owes to the said John Bennett the sum of one hundred and fourteen pounds Current money of Maryland, in manner and form as he the said John Bennett above against him hath declared, nor likewise but that the said John Bennett hath sustained Damage by occasion of the detention of that Debt to the sum of two hundred pounds like money, as he the said John Bennett above by declaring supposes — Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the said John Bennett recover against the said John Harwood as well the said sum of one hundred and fourteen pounds Current money his Debt &c, and the further sum of two hundred pounds like money above acknowledged for his Damages which he hath sustained by occasion of the detention of that Debt, at the quantity of six hundred and seven pounds of Tobacco for adjudged by the Court unto the said John Bennett with his assent, for his Costs and Charges by him about his suit in this behalf by out and expended: And the said John Harwood in mercy &c — Test, James Earle Junr. Clerk —

Memorandum, Judgment was confessed in this action on the sixteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight for £114 Debt and £200 Damages and Costs — To be released on the payment of £114 Current money, with Interest thereon from the nineteenth day of April 1796. the said and Costs — Stay of Execution until the next Term. —

Benjamin Shew Junr. against Robert Pickering } Be it remembered that on the twenty third day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety six, Command was given to the Sheriff of Talbot County to take Robert Pickering late of Talbot County Merchant if he should be found in his Bailiwick and him safe keep, so that he should have his body before the Judges of our General Court, to be held at Easton in Talbot County on the second Tuesday of April then next, to answer unto Benjamin Shew Junior, of a plea that he render unto him the sum of two hundred and sixty seven pounds ten shillings and six pence Current money of Maryland, which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c — And that thereof he the said Sheriff should not fail at his