should be found in his Bailiwick and him safe keep, so that he might have his body before the Judges of our General Court, to be held at Easton in Talbot County, on the second Tuesday of September then next, to answer unto Abraham Millan, Administrator of all and singular the Goods and Chattels, Rights &c Credits which were of Rebecca Millan of a plea that he render unto him the sum of one thousand pounds Current money, which from him he unjustly detains and so forth. — And that thereof he the said Sheriff should not fail at his peril and should have then and there that Writ &c. — At which said second Tuesday of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety three (being the day for the return of the aforegoing Writ) came into our General Court the said Abraham Millan Administrator of Rebecca by Robert Wright Esquire his Attorney, and the Sheriff of Kent County aforesaid, to whom the said Writ was directed likewise came, and made return to our said Court that the said John Cox Executor as aforesaid was not to be found in his Bailiwick. — Nevertheless the said John Cox by William Barroll and Luther Martin Esquires his Attorneys, voluntarily came into Court and defended the force and injury when &c. and prayed leave of the Court to imparle until the next Term, and he is at the same day was given to the said Abraham Millan there &c. — At which said next Term, to wit, the second Tuesday of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety four, came again into Court the Parties aforesaid by their Attorneys aforesaid, and thereupon it was ruled by the Court at the prayer of the said John Cox by his Attorneys aforesaid, that the said Abraham Millan declare against him the said John Cox in the plea aforesaid by the second Tuesday of September then next following. The same day was given to the Parties aforesaid there &c. —

At which said second Tuesday of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety four, came again into Court the Parties aforesaid by their Attorneys aforesaid, and the said Abraham Millan by his Attorney aforesaid Declared against the said John Cox in the plea aforesaid, in manner and form following, to wit. — The Eastern Shore of the State of Maryland, Kent County, to wit, John Cox, Executor of the Testament and last will of John Cox late of Kent County deceased, was summoned to answer unto Abraham Millan Administrator of all and singular the Goods and Chattels, Rights and Credits which were of Rebecca Millan of a plea that he render unto him the sum of one thousand pounds Current money, which from him he unjustly detains and so forth. — And whereupon the same Abraham Millan by Robert Wright his Attorney saith, that whereas the said John Cox, in his lifetime, to wit, on the first day of July seventeen hundred and ninety eight, at Kent County aforesaid, by his certain writing Obligatory, sealed with the Seal of the said John Cox in his lifetime, and to the Court here shewn, the date whereof is the same day and year aforesaid acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound to the said Rebecca whilst sole and in her lifetime, by the name of

Rebecca Sillie of Kent County, widow of Capt. George Sillie, in the sum of one thousand pounds lawful money of said State, to wit, Current money of Maryland, to be paid to the said Rebecca when afterwards he should be thereunto required. — Nevertheless the said John Cox, deceased, in his lifetime, or the said John Cox the Defendant since his death, at the often required the aforesaid sum of money unto the said Rebecca whilst sole, or to the said Abraham and Rebecca since the espousals between them celebrated in the lifetime of the said Rebecca or to the said Abraham since the death of the said Rebecca to wit, Administration of all and singular the Goods and Chattels, Rights and Credits which were of the said Rebecca, at the time of her death who died Intestate as it is said after the death of the said Rebecca, to wit, on the eighteenth day of June in the year seventeen hundred and eighty nine by John Nicholson Esquire Register of Wills for Kent County, lawfully constituted and Qualified, to whom the Commission of that Administration of right did belong at Kent County aforesaid in due form of law was Committed, have not paid nor hath either of them, but the same to the said Rebecca whilst sole, to the said Abraham and Rebecca since the Espousals between them celebrated, and to the same Abraham since the death of the said Rebecca, the said John Cox deceased, in his lifetime, and the said John Cox the Executor since his Death, have altogether refused, and to the same Abraham Millan the said John Cox the Executor still doth refuse to the Damage of the said Abraham Millan two thousand pounds Current money, and therefore he brings suit and so forth, and he brings here into Court, the Letters of Administration of the aforesaid Register of Wills, which the Commission of that Administration to the aforesaid Abraham Millan in form aforesaid testifies, the date whereof is the same day and year in that respect aforesaid and so forth. — Robert Wright for self, Pledges &c. — John Doe & Richd. Roe.

The writing Obligatory in the Declaration aforesaid mentioned, ensues as follows, to wit. —

The State of Maryland, Kent County ss. — Know all men by these presents that I John Cox of Kent County farmer, am held and firmly bound unto Rebecca Sillie of Kent County, Widow, late Capt. George Sillie, Decd. in the sum of one thousand pounds lawful money of said State, to be paid to the said Rebecca Sillie, her certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators or Assigns: To the which payment well and truly to be made, I bind myself my Heirs, Executors and Administrators firmly by these presents. Sealed with my Seal, dated the first day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand, seven hundred and seventy eight. — The Condition of this Obligation is such that if the above bound, John Cox, 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 Rebecca Sillie her certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators or Assigns the just and full sum of five hundred pounds lawful money aforesaid on or upon the tenth day of May next ensuing the day of the above date, without any fraud, or further delay. — Then the above Obligation to be void, or else to be to remain in full force and virtue. —

John Cox — Seal

Sealed and delivered in the presence of us, David Speer — Thomas his mark Read —