General Court to be held at Easton, in Talbot County the second Tuesday of September then next, to answer unto William Slubey, Survivor of Benjamin Morgan, and William Slubey of a plea that he render unto him the sum of two hundred and sixty two pounds thirteen shillings Current money, which to him he owes, and unjustly detains &c — And that thereof he the said Sheriff should not fail at his peril, and should have then and there this Writ &c — At which said Second Tuesday of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven (being the day for the return of the aforegoing Writ) came into Court the said William Slubey Survivor as aforesaid by James Houston Esquire his Attorney and the Sheriff of Kent County, to whom the same Writ was in form &c directed, likewise came and made return thereof to the Court thus endorsed, to wit — "Cepi, "C. Hall, Shff." — And the said John Hudson being called, appeared in Court by John Scott Esquire his Attorney, and thereupon, on motion of the said William Slubey by his Attorney aforesaid, it was ruled by the Court that the said John Hudson should give special bail in the plea aforesaid; Whereupon, the said John Hudson by his Attorney aforesaid offered in Court, a certain Bail piece, and which being approved of by the Court is in form following, to wit — William Slubey Survivor of Benjn. Morgan & Wm. Slubey } Plaintiff
against
John Hudson, Defendant } — You Thomas Ringgan and Joseph Bruce do jointly and severally acknowledge yourselves special bail for the said John Hudson at the suit of the said William Slubey, Survivor of Benjamin Morgan and William Slubey, in an action of Debt, brought by the said William Slubey Survivor of Benjamin Morgan and William Slubey against the said John Hudson in the General Court — They acknowledge themselves to be content therewith this fifth day of September seventeen hundred and ninety seven — before
The Honorable, the Judges of the General Court — } Joseph Williams, William Burneston —

And the said John Hudson 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 William Slubey Survivor as aforesaid then &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 eight, came again into Court the parties aforesaid by their attornies aforesaid; And the said William Slubey Survivor as aforesaid, by his Attorney aforesaid, Declared against the said John Hudson in the plea aforesaid in manner & form following, to wit — Eastern Shore of Maryland, Kent County, to wit, John Hudson late of Kent County, was summoned to answer unto William Slubey, Survivor of Benjamin Morgan and William Slubey, of a plea that he render unto him, the sum of two hundred and sixty two pounds, thirteen shillings Current money, which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c — And whereupon the said William Slubey by James Houston his attorney, saith, that whereas the said John Hudson on the fourteenth

day of March, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety two, at Kent County aforesaid, by his certain writing Obligatory, sealed with the seal of the said John Hudson, and to the Court now here shewn, the date whereof is on the same day and year aforesaid, acknowledged himself to be bound to the said William Slubey, and to one Benjamin Morgan, now Deceased, (whom the said William Survived) in the sum of one hundred and thirty one pounds six shillings and six pence Current money, part of the above mentioned sums of money, to be paid to the said Benjamin Morgan and William Slubey, when he should be thereto requested: And whereas also, the said John Hudson, afterwards, to wit, on the same fourteenth day of March in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety two, at Kent County aforesaid, by his certain other writing Obligatory, also sealed with the seal of the said John Hudson, and to the Court now here also shewn, the date whereof is on the same day and year, acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto the said William Slubey, and to one Benjamin Morgan, now Deceased, whom the said William Slubey Survived) in one other sum of one hundred and thirty one pounds six shillings and six pence Current money, other part, and the residue of the aforesaid sum of money, to be paid to the said Benjamin Morgan and William Slubey when the the said John should be thereto requested. Nevertheless, the said John Hudson, although often requested, hath not paid the said sums of money, to the said Benjamin Morgan and William Slubey, or either of them, in the lifetime of the said Benjamin Morgan, or to the said William Slubey, since the death of the said Benjamin (whom the said William Survived) but hath refused to pay them the same, and yet doth refuse to pay the same to the said William Slubey, wherefore he says he is injured and hath Damage to the value of twenty pounds, and therefore he brings Suit and &c forth. — James Houston for Plff. Pledges &c. John Doe & Richard Roe —

The writings Obligatory in the Declaration aforesaid mentioned, ensues as follows, to wit. — Know all men by these presents that I John Hudson of Kent County, State of Maryland, Farmer, am held and firmly bound unto Benjamin Morgan and William Slubey, Merchants & Copartners, in the sum of one hundred and thirty one pounds six shillings and six pence Current money to be paid to the said Benjamin Morgan and William Slubey, or to their certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators or Assigns; To which payment well and truly to be made and done I bind myself, my Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and each of them, firmly by these presents: Sealed with my Seal and dated the 14th day of March in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety two. — The Condition of the above Obligation is such, that if the above bounden John Hudson, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators, or any of them, shall and do well and truly pay, or cause to be paid unto the above named Benjamin Morgan and William Slubey, their certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators or Assigns, the just and full sum of sixty five pounds, thirteen shillings and three pence Specie, on or before the fifteenth day of October one thousand, seven hundred, and ninety three with legal Interest thereon from the date hereof without any fraud, or further delay; Then the above Obligation to be void, or else to be and remain in full force & virtue in Law. —

John Hudson (Seal)

Sealed & Delivered in the presence of James Strong. —