aforesaid, and the Sheriff of Kent County, to whom the same Writ was directed, likewise came, and made return thereof to the said Court, thus endorsed, to wit— "Copi; Copies left, 1st of March 1799— Benjamin Hatchison, Sheriff"— And the said James Ringgold being called appeared in Court by John Scott Esq. his Attorney: And thereupon, on motion of the said Thomas Jennings by his Attorney aforesaid, it was ruled by the Court that the said James Ringgold answer to the Declaration aforesaid of him the said Thomas Jennings in the plea aforesaid— And the said James Ringgold by his Attorney aforesaid defended the wrong and injury when &c, and prayed leave of the Court to imparle until the next Term, and he had it, The same day was given to the said Thomas Jennings then, &c— And now here, at this day, to wit, the second Tuesday of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine, came again into Court the parties aforesaid by their Attorneys aforesaid; And the said James Ringgold by his Attorney aforesaid further defends the wrong and injury when &c, and says that he cannot gainsay the action aft. of the said Thomas Jennings as aforesaid against him brought, nor can he deny but that he owes unto the said Thomas Jennings the full and just sum of one thousand five hundred and sixty eight pounds ten shillings and four pence Current money, in manner and form as he the said Thomas Jennings above thereof against him complains— Wherefore it is considered by the Court here, that the said Thomas Jennings recover against the said James Ringgold, as well the said full and just sum of one thousand five hundred and sixty eight pounds ten shillings and four pence Current money his Debt aforesaid in form aforesaid acknowledged, as also the quantity of seven hundred and forty one pounds of Tobacco for his Damages which he hath sustained as well by occasion of the detention of that Debt, as for his Costs and Charges by him about his suit in this behalf laid out and expended; adjudged by the Court here unto the said Thomas Jennings with his Assent: And the said James Ringgold in mercy &c—

Test. James Earle Junr. Clerk—

Memorandum, Judgment was confessed in this action, on the nineteenth day of September 1799 for Penalty and Costs— To be released on payment of the principal, Interest, and Costs— with Stay of Execution until the next Term— payments, if any, to be allowed—

Samuel Ecleston against Mary Woodland Administratrix of John

Be it remembered that on the twenty seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine, Command was given to the Sheriff of Kent County, to take Mary Woodland Administratrix of John Woodland late of Kent County, deceased, if she should be found in his Bailiwick, and her safe keep, so that he might have her 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 Samuel Ecleston, of a plea that she render unto him the sum of one thousand pounds Current money, which from him she 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 April in the year of our

Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine, (being the day for the return of the aforegoing Writ) came into Court the said Samuel Ecleston by John Scott Esquire his Attorney; and the Sheriff of Kent County to whom the same Writ was directed likewise came, and made return thereof, to wit said Court, thus endorsed, to wit— "Copi, B. Hatchison, Shff"— And the said Mary Woodland being called appeared in Court by Richard Barrett Esquire her Attorney, and defended the wrong and injury when &c, and prayed leave of the Court to imparle until the next Term, which she had it, The same day was given to the said Samuel Ecleston then, &c— And now here, at this day, to wit, the second Tuesday of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine comes again into Court the parties aforesaid by their Attorneys aforesaid; And the said Samuel Ecleston by his Attorney aforesaid Declared against the said Mary Woodland in the plea aforesaid in manner and form following, to wit— Eastern Shore, General Court, Kent County ss— Mary Woodland Administratrix of John Woodland late of Kent County, deceased, was summoned to answer unto Samuel Ecleston, of a plea that she render unto him the sum of one thousand pounds Current money, which from him she unjustly detains and so forth— And whereupon, the said Samuel by John Scott his Attorney, saith, that whereas the aft. John, in his lifetime, to wit, on the twentieth day of September seventeen hundred and ninety, too, at the County aforesaid, by his certain writing Obligatory, acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto him the said Samuel, in the aforesaid sum of one thousand pounds, to be paid unto him the aforesaid Samuel when afterwards, he should be thereunto required— Nevertheless the aft. John in his lifetime, nor the said Mary, since the death of him the said John (to which said Mary Administration of all and singular the Goods and Chattels Rights and Credits which were of the aforesaid John at the time of his death, was, at the County aforesaid after the death of him the said John in due form of Law Committed) the aforesaid sum of money, to him the said Samuel (although often thereunto required) hath not contented or paid, but the same or any part thereof, the aforesaid John, in his lifetime, and the said Mary since the death of him the said John hath hitherto altogether refused, and still doth refuse, and unjustly detain, wherefore he saith he is worse, and hath Damage to the value of twelve hundred pounds, wherefore he brings suit &c— And brings here into Court the writing Obligatory aforesaid, Sealed with the Seal of him the said John, which the Debt aforesaid in form aforesaid witnesseth, whose date is the day & year aft. &c— John Scott pro. Pltff. Pledges &c, John Doe and Richard Roe—

Oyer of Bond and Condition is as follows, Viz.—

Know all men by these presents that I John Woodland of Kent County, and State of Maryland Esq. am held and firmly bound unto Samuel Ecleston of the same place in the sum of one thousand pounds Current money of Maryland, to be paid to the said Samuel Ecleston, or his certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators or Assigns; To which payment well and truly to be made, I do bind myself, my Heirs, Executors and Administrators, jointly and severally firmly by these presents, Sealed with my Seal, and dated this twentieth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety two— The Condition of this Obligation is such that if the above bounden John Woodland, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators or any of them, shall and do well and truly pay, or cause to be paid unto the above named Samuel Ecleston, or to his certain