as the said sum of two hundred pounds current money, his damages aft; as also the quantity of six hundred and thirteen pounds of Tobacco, for his costs and charges by him about his suit in this behalf expended; and the said Robert M. Richardson in mercy &c.

James Earle Sum. Clk

Judgment April the 19th 1799. for £375 debt & £200 Damages Costs. Damages to be released on the payment of Interest on £375 from 20th May 1796 till paid payments if any to be allowed. —

William Williams against Isabella Miller & Jacob White —

Be it remembered that on the second day of March seventeen hundred and ninety eight Command was given to the Sheriff of Worcester County to take Isabella Miller late of Worcester County Spinster, & Jacob White late of Worcester County planter, if they should be found in his Bailiwick and them safe keep, so that he might have their bodies before the Judges of our General Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of this State, at Easton, the second Tuesday of April then next to answer unto William Williams of a plea that they render unto him the sum of two hundred and eighty three pounds seven shillings & six pence current money of Maryland, which to him they owe and unjustly detain &c. At which said second Tuesday of April seventeen hundred & ninety eight, being the return day of the aft writ, came into Court the said William Williams by Benjamin Frederick Augustus Cæsar Daskiel his Attorney, and the Sheriff of Worcester County, to whom the said Writ was directed makes return thereof to the Court here to this entered to wit "Cepi Corpus & answered Jacob Stanger Shff." — Also the said Isabella Miller and Jacob White being called to appear in Court here by James B. Robins their Attorney, and thereupon at the prayer of the said William Williams by his Attorney aft, it is ruled by the Court here that the said Miller & White give special bail in the plea aft; whereupon the said Miller & White by their Attorney aft for them in Court here the following Bail piece, to wit: "You Isaac Ayres and John Hudson do jointly and severally acknowledge yourselves special bail for the said Isabella Miller and Jacob White at the suit of the said William Williams in an action of debt, brought by the said William Williams against the said Isabella Miller & Jacob White in the General Court before Benj. Dennis. Jeffe Bennett —

And the said Williams by his Attorney aft, declares against the said Miller & White in the plea aft as follows, to wit: "Eastern Shore Maryland Worcester County to wit. Isabella Miller late of Worcester County Spinster & Jacob White late of Worcester County Planter, were summoned to answer unto William Williams of a plea that they render unto him the sum of two hundred and eighty three pounds seven shillings & six pence current money of Maryland which to him they owe and unjustly detain and &c. And whereupon the said Williams by Benjamin Daskiel his Attorney says that whereas the aft Isabella Miller & Jacob White on the eighteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & ninety six at Worcester County aft did by their certain Bill obligatory obligate themselves & their

unto him the said William Williams by the name of Williams the sum of two hundred and eighty three pounds seven shillings and six pence current — which afterwards they should be thereunto required at being for value received. Nevertheless the aft Isabella Miller & Jacob White (altho often thereunto required) have not paid the said sum of two hundred and eighty three pounds seven shillings and six pence current money unto the said William Williams but have hitherto altogether refused and still do refuse to render or pay the same or any part thereof to the said William Williams wherefore he says he is the worse and hath damage to the value of five hundred pounds current money of Maryland, and therefore he brings suit thereof, and brings here into Court the Bill obligatory aft, under the seals of them the said Isabella and Jacob which the said aft infra aft recites the date whereof is the day and year aft. — John Dorr &

By Benjamin Daskiel Attorney for the plaintiff — pledge thereof Richard Roe —

The Bill obligatory whereof mention is made in the aforegoing Declaration mentioned as follows Worcester County. This our Note shall oblige us the Subscribers our Heirs or Assigns to pay unto William Williams his Heirs or Assigns the sum of two hundred & eighty three pounds seven shillings and six pence Specie for value rec. As witness our hands & seals this 18th day of October 1796.

Test. James Stewart, Feby 14. 1797. — Isabella Miller (Seal)

Levin Gloyd — Jacob White (Seal)

Now the said Miller & White by their Attorney aft, defend the force and injury when &c. and pray leave to imparle until the second Tuesday of September next and they have it, the same day is given to the said William Williams then &c. At which day & second Tuesday in September seventeen hundred and ninety eight came again into Court the parties by their Attorneys aft. And thereupon on motion of the said William Williams by his Attorney aft, it is ruled by the Court here that the said Miller and White answer to the Declaration in the plea aft or Judgment will be rendered against them by default; and the said Miller & White by their Attorney defend the force and injury when &c, and pray leave to imparle until the second Tuesday in April next to answer to the Declaration aft, and they have it, the same day is given to the said William Williams then &c. And now here to wit, the second Tuesday of April seventeen hundred and ninety nine, came again into Court the parties by their Attorneys aft. And the said Isabella Miller and Jacob White by James B. Robins their Attorney say that the said Williams ought not to have and maintain his said action against them because they say that the said writing obligatory was not delivered to the said Williams as he in his Declaration hath alleged but was delivered to a certain John Handy as an Escrow, to be not to be valid, or to have any effect in law only on this express condition, that the said William Williams should first purchase fifty acres of land part of Burley and should make a good right and title in fee simple in the same to the said Jacob White, and this they are ready to verify; wherefore they pray Judgment if the said Williams ought to have or maintain his said action against them. And thereupon the said Miller and White pray that the said William Williams may reply to the answer of the said Miller and White in the plea aft, whereupon it is ruled by the Court that the said William Williams reply to the answer of the said Miller and White in the plea aft, or Judgment will be rendered against him by default. Nevertheless the said Miller & White by their Attorney aft, relinquishing the averment aft above by them pretended day, that they cannot deny the action aft, nor that they owe to the aft William Williams the aft sum of two hundred and eighty three pounds seven shillings and six pence, current money in manner & form as the said William Williams above against them have declared, nor that the