answers Geo: Handy Shff." And thereupon Benjamin Jones by John Hollrook his Attorney came here into Court, and thereupon at the prayer of the said Thomas Waters by his Attorney, it was ruled by the Court here that the said Benjamin Jones give special bail in the plea aforesaid; And the said Benjamin Jones by his Attorney offered in Court here the following bail piece to wit." You James M'K. Waller & Arthur Dashiell are do jointly and severally acknowledge yourselves special bail for the said Benjamin Jones at the suit of the said Thomas Waters in an action of debt lately by the said Thomas Waters against the said Benjamin Jones in the General Court March the 25th 1798. before J. H. Gillis. A. Leatherbury

And the said Benjamin Jones by his Attorney aforesaid defended the force and injury when &c. and prayed leave to imparle unto the second Tuesday in September then next and he had it the same day was given to the said Thomas Waters Senr. then &c. At which said second Tuesday in September seventeen hundred ninety eight came again into Court the parties aforesaid by their Attorneys aforesaid. And the said Thomas Waters Senr. by his Attorney aforesaid declares against the said Benjamin Jones in the plea aforesaid, as follows to wit. Eastern Shore State of Maryland Somerset County to wit. Benjamin Jones late of Somerset County planter, was summoned to answer unto Thomas Waters Senior of a plea that he render unto him the sum of two hundred and thirty nine pounds sixteen shillings and tenpence current money which to him he owing and unjustly detains and &c. And whereupon the said Thomas Waters Senior by Benjamin Dashiell his Attorney says that whereas the aforesaid Benjamin Jones on the first day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety three at the County aforesaid by his certain writing obligatory acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto the said Thomas Waters Senior, in the aforesaid sum of two hundred and thirty nine pounds sixteen shillings and tenpence current money aforesaid, to be paid to the said Thomas Waters Senr. when afterwards he should be thereto required. Nevertheless the aforesaid Benjamin Jones (altho' often thereunto required) the aforesaid sum of two hundred & thirty nine pounds sixteen shillings & tenpence current money to the said Thomas Waters Senior hath not rendered or paid, but the same to him hitherto to render or pay, he hath hitherto altogether refused and still doth refuse whereof he says he is the worse and hath damage to the value of five hundred pounds current money of Maryland aforesaid, and therefore he brings suit &c. And brings here into Court the writing obligatory aforesaid sealed with the seal of the aforesaid Benjamin Jones which the debt aforesaid in form aforesaid witness the date aforesaid the day and year aforesaid and &c. — The writing obligatory whereof mention is made in the declaration aforesaid issues as follows to wit. — Somerset County State of Maryland to wit. Know all men by these presents that we Benjamin Jones & Joshua Hitch both of the County and State aforesaid are held and firmly bound unto Thomas Waters Senior of the same County and State in the just and full sum of two hundred & thirty nine pounds sixteen shillings and tenpence current money of the State aforesaid to be paid to the said Thomas Waters his Heirs Executors Administrators or Assigns. To the which payment well and truly to be made and done We bind ourselves our heirs Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this first day of April one thousand seven hundred and ninety three. The condition of the above obligation is such, that in case

the above bound Benjamin Jones his Heirs Executors or Administrators shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the above mentioned Thomas Waters his Heirs Executors Administrators or Assigns the just and full sum of One hundred and nineteen pounds eighteen shillings & five pence with legal Interest thereon for value received. Then this obligation to be void; else to remain in full force and virtue in law. Signed sealed & acknowledged in the presence of William Coleman. Benjamin Jones (Seal) Joshua Hitch (Seal)

On the back of the aforesaid Bond were the following endorsements, to wit.

October the 16th 1797. Benjamin Jones Cr.

By amount of George Robertsons Acct. for County levy against Robert Daniels heirs for the years 1792. 1793. & 1794. £ 7 " 12 " 3 7/8

Somerset County, October 31st 1797. Then came Capt. Thomas Waters, & made oath on the holy Evangels that the within Bond as it stands stated, is just and true and that he hath not directly or indirectly rec.d any part, parcel, security or for the same more than Credits given to the best of his knowledge. Before Wills Stone

And the said Thomas Waters by his Attorney aforesaid prays that the said Benjamin Jones may be ruled to file his plea in answer to the Declaration aforesaid on or before the second Tuesday in April then next, or that Judgment on default thereof against the said Benjamin Jones might be rendered, and it was granted unto him. The same day was given to the said Thomas Waters Senr. then &c. And now here to wit, the second Tuesday in April Seventeen hundred and ninety nine, came again into Court the parties by their Attorneys aforesaid. And the said Benjamin Jones by his Attorney aforesaid defends the force and injury when &c. and saith that he cannot gainsay the action aforesaid, nor can he deny that the writing obligatory aforesaid, is the Deed of him the said Benjamin Jones, nor that he owing unto the said Thomas Waters Senior the aforesaid sum of two hundred and thirty nine pounds sixteen shillings and tenpence current money in manner and form as the said Thomas Waters Senior above against him hath complained. Wherefore it is considered by the Court here that the said Thomas Waters Senior recover against the said Benjamin Jones his debt aforesaid in form aforesaid acknowledged; as also the quantity of five hundred and ninety nine pounds of Tobacco for his damages which he hath sustained as well by reason of the detention of the said debt, as for his Costs and charges by him about his suit in this behalf expended, and the said Benjamin Jones in mercy &c. Ad Eccle Hundred Judgment April the 12th 1799. for Penalty & Costs. To be released on the payment of principal Interest & Costs. Payments if any to be allowed, Stay of Execution till next Term —

William Barclay
against
Subman Lowes Admr. of **Henry Lowes**

Be it remembered that on the twenty eighth day of February seventeen hundred and ninety eight Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County to take Subman Lowes late of Somerset County, Gentleman, Administrator of all and singular the goods and chattels rights and credits which were of Henry Lowes late of the County aforesaid deceased if he should be found within 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 the second Tuesday in April then next, to answer unto William Barclay of a plea that he render unto him the sum of one hundred and thirty six pounds seven shillings current money of Maryland