Manning in his lifetime, or unto the same Nathaniel Manning since the death of the same John Manning, yet hath not rendered or paid, but the same or any part thereof to render or pay to the same John Manning in his lifetime, or to the same Nathaniel Manning since the death of the same John Manning the same Kemp hitherto altogether hath refused, and still doth refuse to pay the same to the same Nathaniel Manning, to the damage of the same Nathaniel Manning six Hundred pounds current money of Maryland, and thereupon he brings this Suit &c. and he brings here into Court the letters Testamentary of the said John Manning whereby it sufficiently appears to the Court here that the said Nathaniel Manning is the Executor of the last Will and Testament of the said John Manning &c. and thereof hath the administration &c.

Thos. S. Bullitt for the plaintiff pledges &c. John Doe & Richard Roe

The writing obligatory above mentioned recites as follows to wit

Know all men by these presents that we John Colston Benjamin Kemp of Dorchester County State of Maryland, & Hugh Crow of the same State are held and firmly bound unto John Manning of Dorchester County in the full and just sum of three hundred and forty pounds current money of Maryland to be paid unto him the said John Manning his certain Attorney, Executors Administrators or assigns. To the payment whereof well and truly to be made and done we do hereby bind ourselves our heirs Executors and Administrators in and for the whole jointly & severally by these presents Sealed with our Seals respectively and dated this 18th day of January in the year of our Lord seven hundred and ninety three. whereas the said John Colston is about to sue out a writ of Replevin against the said John Manning out of Dorchester County Court Commanding the Sheriff of Dorchester County to replevy two beds & furniture one Walnut Table, one Desk, one Chest of Drawers two Pots one shovel & tongs a quantity of Tobacco unstripped supposed to be one thousand pounds weight, some Wheat supposed to be twenty two bushels some Flax in the Straw of the value of three pounds current money some flax seed of the value of twenty Shillings current money, two pair knives & forks five Cows & two yearling two Oxen and two yearlings one Sow with Pigs some Corn supposed to be sixteen Barrels in quantity, a wooden Bowl with some bloody shirts of the value of seven pence and ten Shillings current money two bay mares one grey horse, two black horses one Ox and yearling and one Negro girl called Dinah and Negro boy called Frederick, the above named John Manning hath taken, and unjustly detained as it is said against sureties and pledges. Now the Condition of the above Obligation is such that if the said John Colston shall well and truly prosecute with effect the said writ of Replevin, and if the said Goods Chattels articles & things above mentioned shall be adjudged by the Justices of this said County Court to be the property of the same John Manning, and if a return of the said goods chattels articles & things above mentioned shall be adjudged by law to him the said John Manning then if the said John Colston shall cause the said goods chattels, articles and things before mentioned to be delivered to the same John Manning and shall pay and satisfy to the same John Manning all such legal costs damages & charges as shall be by him sustained by occasion of replevying the said Goods and chattels articles and things aforementioned then the above Obligation to be void and of none effect otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law.

Sealed & delivered in the presence of
Wm. Crow

John Colston (Seal)
Benj. Kemp (Seal)
Hugh Crow (Seal)

and thereupon on motion of the said Nathaniel Manning by his Attorney &c. it is ordered by the Court here that the said Benjamin Kemp answer to the Declaration with the plea &c. or Judgment will be rendered against him by default, and the said Benjamin Kemp by his Attorney &c. defends the force and injury when &c. and prays leave to imparle until the second Sunday in September next to answer to the Declaration &c. and he hath it & the same day is given to the said Nathaniel Manning then &c. At which said second Sunday in September seventeen hundred and ninety eight comes again into Court the parties &c. by their Attorneys &c. and the said Benjamin Kemp by his Attorney &c. defends the force and injury when &c. & saith that he cannot deny the action &c. nor that he unjustly detains from the said Nathaniel Manning the &c. sum of three hundred & forty pounds current money in manner and form as the said Nathaniel Manning above against him hath complained Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the said Nathaniel Manning recover against the said Benjamin Kemp, as well the said sum of three hundred and forty pounds current money, his debt &c. in form &c. as one shilling & six pence, or the quantity of five hundred and five 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 laid out and expended; and the said Benjamin Kemp in mercy &c.

James Earle Clerk

Judgment April the 16th 1799. for penalty & Costs. To be released on the payment of £114.18.2 with Interest thereon from the 16th April 1799 & the said Costs. Stay of Execution till the next Term

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Levin Lebompte against **Charles Hodson** } **Be it remembered** that the plaintiff in this cause in his own proper person, impleaded and sued forth out of the General Court here, the States writ of Capias ad respondendum. The Form whereof follows to wit

The State of Maryland &c. To the Sheriff of Dorchester County Greeting: We Command you that you take Charles Hodson late of Dorchester County Gentleman if he shall be found in your Bailiwick and him safe keep, so that you have his body before the Justices of our General Court to be held at Easton in Talbot County, the second Tuesday of April next to answer unto Levin Lebompte of a plea that he render unto him the sum of one hundred pounds current money of Maryland, which unto him he owes and from him unjustly detains &c. Hereof fail not at your peril and have you there this writ Witness the Honorable Robert Goldsborough Esquire chief Judge of our said Court the 12th day of September anno domini 1797. & of ours the 22d day of March 1798. James Earle Clk.

Easton Shire General Court Seal

At which said second Tuesday in April seventeen hundred and ninety eight being the day of the return of the aforegoing writ, comes into Court the said Levin Lebompte by William Bond Martin his Attorney, and the Sheriff of Dorchester County, to whom the said writ was in pursuance &c. directed makes return thereof to the Court here that he executed the said writ "Cepi Henry Lake Sheff." and the said Charles Hodson being called appears in Court here by Josiah Bayly his attorney; and thereupon on motion of the said Levin Lebompte by his Attorney &c. the said plea Court here that the said Charles Hodson give special bail in the plea &c. whereupon the said Charles Hodson by his Attorney &c. files in Court here the following bail piece to wit, "You William Phipps & Charles Hooper