fail not at your peril and have you then and there this writ. Witness the honorable Kilty Brough Esquire Chief Judge of our said Court the 11th day of September anno domini 1798.
Issued the 18th day of February 1799. Test James Earle jun.r Clk.

At which said second Tuesday of April seventeen hundred ninety nine being the day for the return of the aforegoing writ, comes into the Generall Court here the said Thomas & Robert Anderson by their attorney (a.p.), and the Sheriff of the County (a.p.), to whom the same writ was directed makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit "Cepi 13 Catelson Shff." And the said John Nicholson being called appears in Court here by John Scott his attorney; and thereupon on motion of the said Thomas & Robert Anderson by their attorney (a.p.) it is ruled by the Court here, that the said John Nicholson give special bail in the plea (a.p.); whereupon the said John Nicholson by his attorney (a.p.) files in Court here the following bail piece

Thomas Anderson &
Robert Anderson Plaintiffs
against
John Nicholson, Defendant

You Matthew Greentree & Thomas Nicholson, do jointly & severally acknowledge yourselves Special bail for the said John Nicholson at the suit of the said Thomas Anderson & Robert Anderson, in an action of debt brought by the said Thomas Anderson & Robert Anderson against the said John Nicholson, in the Generall Court. They acknowledge themselves to be content therewith this 29th day of March in the year seventeen hundred and ninety nine. before Phil.b Reed apocriate Just.r Kent County
Joseph Williams

To the honorable the Judges of the Generall Court.

I appoint John Scott my attorney to appear for me in the above action. Test Nicholson (Joseph Williams)

And the said John Nicholson by his attorney (a.p.) defends the force and injury when &c. and prays leave to imparle until the second Tuesday of September next, and he hath it the same day is given to the said Thomas & Robert Anderson also. At which said second Tuesday of September seventeen hundred and ninety nine, comes again into the Generall Court here the parties (a.p.) by their attorneys (a.p.), and the said Thomas & Robert Anderson by their attorney (a.p.) declare against the said John Nicholson in the plea (a.p.), as follows to wit. Kent to wit. John Nicholson late of Kent County to wit. John Nicholson late of Kent County was summoned to answer unto Thomas Anderson & Robert Anderson in a plea that he render unto them the sum of six hundred and eight pounds seven shillings & eight pence current money which to them he owes and from them unjustly detains &c. And whereupon the said Thomas Anderson & Robert Anderson by James Houston their attorney complain that whereas the said John Nicholson on the twenty fifth day of April in the year seventeen hundred and ninety eight, at Kent County (a.p.) by his certain writing obligatory sealed with the seal of the said John and to the Court now here shewn the date whereof is on the day and year (a.p.) acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound to the said Thomas & Robert in the (a.p.) sum of six hundred and eight pounds seven shillings & eight pence current money of Maryland, to be paid to the said Thomas & Robert when he the said John should be thereto afterwards requested. Yet the said John altho often requested hath not yet paid the said sum of six hundred & eight pounds seven shillings & eight pence to the said Thomas & Robert. but hitherto to content or pay, he hath altogether refused and still doth refuse to pay the same to the said Thomas & Robert to their damage of fifty pounds current money as (a.p.) & therefore they bring suit &c.
James Houston for plaintiffs pledges &c. John Doe & Richd Roe.

The writing obligatory whereof mention is made in the aforegoing Declaration follows in these words

Know all men by these presents, that I John Nicholson of Chester Town Kent County State of Maryland Gentleman am held and firmly bound unto Thomas & Robert Anderson of Kent County & State (a.p.) Merchants in the sum of six hundred and eight pounds seven shillings and eight pence Gold and Silver money of Maryland to be paid to the said Thomas & Robert Anderson their certain attorney executors administrators or assigns to which payment well and truly to be made and done I bind myself my and each of my heirs executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents Sealed with my Seal dated the twenty fifth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & ninety eight. The condition of this obligation is such that if the above bound John Nicholson his heirs executors, administrators or any of them do well & truly pay or cause to be paid unto the above named Thomas & Robert Anderson or their certain attorney executors administrators or assigns the just and full sum of Three hundred and four pounds three shillings & one pence in gold or Silver money according to the rates now established by Act of Assembly of this State without any fraud or further delay; then the above Obligation to be void or else to be and remain in full force & virtue
Sealed & delivered, in the presence of Edw.d Franks. Jno.a Nicholson Seal

and thereupon on motion of the said Thomas & Robert Anderson by their attorney (a.p.) it is ruled by the Court here that the said John Nicholson answer to the Declaration (a.p.) by the second Tuesday of April next or Judgment by the Court here will be rendered against him in default thereof the same day is given to the said John Nicholson also. And now here, to wit, the second Tuesday of April eighteen hundred comes again into the Generall Court here the parties (a.p.) by their attorneys aforesaid and the said John Nicholson by his attorney (a.p.) defends the force and injury when &c. and saith that he cannot deny the action (a.p.) nor that he owes to the said Thomas & Robert Anderson the (a.p.) sum of six hundred & eight pounds seven shillings & eight pence current money in manner and form as the said Thomas and Robert Anderson above against him hath complained. Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the said Thomas & Robert Anderson recover against the said John Nicholson as well the sum of six hundred and eight pounds seven shillings and eight pence current money, their debt (a.p.) in form (a.p.) confessed, as the quantity of six hundred and fifteen pounds of Tobacco, as well for their damages which they have sustained by reason of the detention of the said debt, as for their costs & charges by them about their suit in this behalf expended, &c. James Earle jun.r Clk.

Memorandum. Judgment was rendered in this action on the 10th April 1800 for penalty & Costs to be released on payment of principal Interest & Costs, Payments if any to be allowed. Stay'd 6 September Term 1800

John Jordain, use of
George & Edward Thompson
against
Francis Cann

Be it Remembered that the Plaintiff by John Scott his attorney prosecuted and sued forth out of this Court here the following Writ of Capias ad respondendum, to wit. The State of Maryland &c. To the Sheriff of Kent County greeting We Command you that you take Francis Cann late of Kent County, if he shall be found in your (Seal) bailiwick and him safe keep, so that you have his body before the Judges of our Generall Court to be held at Easton in Talbot County the second Tuesday of April next to answer unto John Jordain in a plea that he render unto him the sum of three hundred and eighty one pounds eighteen