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July Court 1710

Anne Countyss/ Robt Freeland of Calvt County planter was attached to answer unto Richd Hill of Anne Arundell Mercht of a plea of trespass on the Case

And whereupon the said Plaintiff by Edmund Plater his attorney Complaines that whereas a certain Robert Hall the Sonne of Sir Lionell Lanman Dond 1707 at Annapolis in the County of Anne according to the Customs be upon Merchants and others of this the province of Maryland and the City of London in England of the used made and delivered his first bill of Exchange with his proper Hand Subscribed bearing date the day & yeare aforesaid to a certain John Hyde Merchtt in London ordeining & ingoyning the said John Hyde at thirty days sight of such bill of Exchange his Second & third of the same tenor & date not being paid to pay unto the said Robt Freeland or his order the sum of Six pounds Sterl for Value for Value received which bill afterwards at the County of Anne Arundell aforesaid before sight thereof by the said John Hyde the aforesaid Robert Freeland by Indorsment in the his proper hand subscribed according to the Customs of Merchants ordered the aforesaid sum of Six pounds Sterl to be paid to the order of the aforesaid Richard Hill for Value received whereof the aforesaid John Hyde afterwards on the twenty first day of July Anno Dond 1708 at London aforesaid notice thereof was required to pay the said sum of Six pounds Sterl to the order of the aforesaid Richd Hill and the aforesaid Richd Hill further says that the aforesaid John Hyde after thirty days sight of the aforesaid bill and notice thereof hath not paid to the aforesaid Richard or his order the aforesaid sum of Six pounds Sterl and that for want of payment thereof the aforesaid Richard after thirty days sight of the aforesaid bill of Exchange by the aforesaid John Hyde on the twenty first day of July in the yeare 1708 aforesaid at London aforesaid protested or Caused to be protested the said first bill of Exchange the second & third of the same tenor & date not being paid according to the Customs of Merchants aforesaid where of the said Robt Freeland the Twentieth day of May Anno Dond 1709 at the County of Anne aforesaid had notice & in Consideration thereof the said day yeare & place last above mentioned & upon himself assumed to the said Richard Hill the aforesaid sum of Six pounds Sterl provided that he the said Robert Freeland the aforesaid sum of Six pounds Sterl together with all the Interests & damages & Costs by the said Richard suffered or to be suffered by reason of the protesting of the bill aforesaid to the said Richard when & thereunto required would well & truly Content and pay Nevertheless the aforesaid Robert his promise and assumption aforesaid not regarding but minding and fraudulently intending the same Richard in this part Craftily & Publicly to deceive & defraud the aforesaid sum of Six pounds Sterl together with all the Interests damages & Costs of the protest aforesaid to the said Richard altho required the aforesaid Twentieth day of May 1709 aforesaid at the County of Anne Arundell aforesaid hath not paid but the same to him to pay hath refused and still doth refuse to the damage of the said Richard twelve pounds Sterl & therefore he brings his Suite &c — pledges Wm Dod & Richard Roe

Whereupon day is given to the said Robert Freeland in Custody as aforesaid to answer unto the said plaintiff above decl in the plea aforesaid until next Court & the same day is given to the plaintiff above — At which said next Court to wit the 11th day of October Anno Dond 1709 Comes again the said Richard Hill by his attorney aforesaid & thereupon further day is given to the said Robt Freeland in Custody as aforesaid to answer unto the plaintiff above decl in the plea aforesaid until next Court and the same day is given to the plaintiff above as well said next Court to wit the 11th day of April Anno Dond 1710 Comes again the said Richard Hill by his attorney aforesaid & thereupon the said Richard Hill by his attorney aforesaid prays that a Copy of the above decl in the plea aforesaid may be made & allowed by the Clerk sent to the Sheriff of Calvt County who served upon the defend in Custody

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