782 pounds of tobacco Either Court doth adjudge unto him for his Fees and Charges above his table in the Bill aforesaid and Defendant the Lessee of the Land and Premises which were of the said Jno Gibbs at the time of his death and which to the hands of the said Thomas and Christopher Gibbs as Executors hereafter shall come to be Administered and the Defendants in Mercy &c

Mott Mordecai Moore Jno Hyde pro Curt July Court 1710 ss

Edward Taylor — — — Anna Arundell County ss. Be it remembered that heretofore to wit the 8th day of April in the 8th year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lady the Queen that now is Anno Domini 1709 Edward Taylor Late of Dorch. County planter was attached to answer unto Mordecai Moore & John Hyde of a plea of Trespass on the Case &c

And whereupon the said Mordecai and John by Donald Hunter their attorney Complained that whereas the aforesaid Edward Taylor the 22d day of March 1703 at Anna. in the County of Anna. aforesaid according to the Custome of Merchants and other of this the province of Maryland and the Kingdom of England of old used and accustomed his first bill of Exchange with his own hand subscribed bearing date the day and year aforesaid to a certaine Tobias Bowles Merchant in Deale residing and being at sight of such bill of Exchange requested the said Tobias at twenty days sight of such bill of Exchange to pay to the aforesaid Mordecai & John or their order the summe of 6:500 lbs of tobacco for value received of the aforesaid Tobias Bowles as aforesaid on the fifth day of December Anno Domini 1704 at Deale aforesaid in and then & there duly to be paid to pay the said summe of 6:500 lbs of tobacco to the said Mordecai & John or their order the said summe of 6:500 lbs of tobacco to the said Mordecai and John or their order the aforesaid summe of 6:500 lbs of tobacco and that for want of payment of the aforesaid bill and notice as aforesaid twenty days sight of the aforesaid bill of Exchange the aforesaid Tobias Bowles afterwards to wit the day and year aforesaid at the City of London in the Kingdom of England protested the aforesaid first bill of Exchange and the second and third of the same tenor and date not being paid according to the Custome of Merchants aforesaid whereof the said Edward Taylor the first day of August 1706 at the County of Anna. aforesaid had notice in Consideration whereof and of the Customes aforesaid then & there upon himself faithfully promised that he the said Edward Taylor the aforesaid summe of 6:500 lbs of tobacco together with all the damages Interests and Costs by the said Mordecai and John suffered or to be suffered by reason of the protesting of the bill aforesaid to the said Mordecai & John when & where unto required would well & truly Content and pay Nevertheless the said Edward his promise and aforesaid not regarding but in undeceiving and fraudulently intending the said Mordecai & John in this part Craftily & subtilly to deceive & defraud the aforesaid summe of 6:500 lbs of tobacco the said damages & Costs of the protest aforesaid or any part thereof to the said Mordecai & John at the said required the 22d day of August 1706 at the City aforesaid not paid but the same to them to pay hath refused & still doth refuse to the damage of the said Mordecai & John 12 thousand and therefore they bring their Suit &c pledges John Doe & Richard Roe

And the said Edward Taylor in Custody of the Sheriff of Dorchester County Lowitt Gover Gentleman Gent by Richard Dallam his attorney Comes and defends the force and Injury when &c and prays Leave to Imparle thereunto until this next Court and he the said Mordecai & John by their attorney &c as the said Edward Taylor by his said attorney &c and the said Edward Taylor by his said attorney prays further Leave to Imparle thereunto until this next Court and he hath it &c the same day is given to the plaintiffs also & at the said next Court to wit the 19th day of October Anno Domini 1709 Come as well the said Mordecai Moore and John Hyde by their attorney &c as the said Edward Taylor by his attorney &c and the said Edward Taylor by his said attorney prays further Leave to Imparle thereunto until this next Court and he hath it &c the same day is given to the plaintiffs also & at the said next Court to wit the 11th day of July Anno Domini 1710 Come as well the said Mordecai Moore and John Hyde by their attorney &c as the said Edward Taylor by his attorney &c and the said Edward Taylor by his attorney &c as before defendant the force and Injury when &c and saith that the said Mordecai & John their action &c against him to bide and maintain they ought not because he saith that it was enacted by an act of Assembly of this province made at an Assembly begun & held at the City of St Mary's in the third year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lady Queen Anne &c Anno Domini 1704 that all and every the Debts shall be good & of force to be recovered and other debts and to prevent the Vexations and unnecessary Suits at Law and pleading delaying in Barr it is among other things therein and thereby enacted that no person or persons residing or trading in or to this province their &c agents factors or assignees shall be for any sum or sums of Tobacco or money due or owing to him by accompt upon book or otherwise &c for we the debtor shall not pay, yield and scale to such his Creditor sue and implead such debtor his &c or bring any Court of Record within this province wherein shall such demand and Require the sum of such debtors proportion or otherwise at the place of Residence of the said debtor in the County where he shall dwell to prove w.th Bond and the Cedulas or demands consigned & all shall be filed and the debtor be not at liberty to be proceeded against such demand and shall detain the under the hands of such creditor or debtors he shall impower to recover the same what shall be and be paid and thereupon the same bond so paid according to the tenor it shall be lawfull for such creditor to sue and implead such debtor and recover again & thereupon all such Costs and damages as upon such debtor and recovery of this province taxing Cognizance of the Cause shall be adjudged as before in the said act as in and by the same act full & more amply appeare and for the debt aforesaid and claimed by the said Mordecai & John by this deed aforesaid is a debt for we the said Edward Taylor his hand and seale and the said Edward being a Resident within this province at the time of the assumption aforesaid by him supposed to be made to the said Mordecai and John (to wit) at Battle Creeke in Calvert County and there ever since and still remaining and residing and the said Mordecai and John not any for them before the impleading of him the said