

And the aforesaid John Allen by Robert Ridgely his Attorney by Liber N N  
 favour of the Court hereunto admitted doth come & defend the  
 force &c and prayeth hearing of the writing aforesaid & itt is read  
 unto him, he prayeth also heareing of the Condicōn of the said  
 writing & itt is read unto him in these words The Condiçōn of this  
 Obligācon is such, that if the above bounden John Allen his Ex<sup>rs</sup>  
 Adm<sup>rs</sup> or assignes doe & shall well & truely performe fullfill & keep  
 all & singuler the Covenants Grants Articles clauses & Agreements  
 menconed written & comprized in a certaine Conveyance or Deed  
 poll under the hand & seale of the said John Allen beareing date  
 even with these p<sup>s</sup>ents, made by him the said John Allen unto the  
 above named Caecilius &c according to the tenour effect & true  
 meaning of the said Conveyance that then this obligacōn to be void  
 & of none effect, or else to stand & abide in full force & vertue. Which  
 being read & heard, the said John Allen saith nothing in barr or  
 avoidance of the Informacon aforesaid, whereby the said Lord Prop<sup>ty</sup>  
 remaineth ag<sup>t</sup> the said John Allen wholly undefended.

Whereupon itt is granted by the Court here this day to witt the  
 three & twentieth day of ffeb<sup>ry</sup> in the third yeare of his Lo<sup>rd</sup>s  
 Dominion &c Annoq̄ Doni 1677 that the said Lord Prop<sup>ty</sup> recover  
 ag<sup>t</sup> the said John Allen as well the sume of forty thousands pounds  
 of tobacco debt As also p<sup>ds</sup> of to<sup>b</sup> costs of suite

Matthew Nelson & Comp <sup>a</sup> ag <sup>t</sup> Edmond Beauchamp	}	Edmond Beauchamp late of the County of Som <sup>r</sup> sett otherwise called Edmond Beauchamp of Annessex in the County of Som <sup>r</sup> sett in the Province of Maryland Clerke was Sum- oned to Answer unto Matthew Nelson & Comp <sup>a</sup> M <sup>r</sup> chants of Bristoll in a plea that he render unto them one thousand five hundred sixty seven pounds of tobacco & caske which to them he oweth and unjustly detaineth	p. 457
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And whereupon the said Matthew Nelson & Comp<sup>a</sup> by Christopher  
 Rousby their Attorney say, that whereas the said Edmond the  
 twentieth day of Octob<sup>r</sup> in the yeare of our Lord One thousand six  
 hundred seventy six by his certaine writing Obligatory sealed with  
 the Seale of him the said Edmond here in Court produced whose  
 date is the same day and yeare above written, did binde himsele his  
 heyres Ex<sup>rs</sup> & Adm<sup>rs</sup> to pay or cause to be paid unto the said Matthew  
 Nelson & Comp<sup>a</sup> M<sup>r</sup>chants of Bristoll their heyres Ex<sup>rs</sup> Adm<sup>rs</sup> or  
 assignes the full quantity of One thousand five hundred sixty seven  
 pounds of good sound M<sup>r</sup>chantable tobacco & caske to be paid upon  
 all demands in some convenient place in Somersett County in Mary-  
 land Yet the said Edmond Beauchamp the said sume of one thousand  
 five hundred sixty seven pounds of tobacco & caske though often  
 thereunto required unto the said Matthew Nelson & Comp<sup>a</sup> M<sup>r</sup>chants  
 or any of them hath not paid, but the same to pay hath denyed &  
 still doth deny, to the damage of the said Matthew Nelson & Comp<sup>a</sup>