lick allowances which he has had So much trouble given him about And being So long kept out of he may have the benefit of the law [390] Secured to him And be protected by this Honourable Court in his full and legal right Without that that any other matter or thing in the Complainants S<sup>d</sup> Bill of Complaint contained Material or effectual for this Defendant to make answer to And not herein and hereby Sufficiently answered unto confessed or avoided traversed or denyed is true to the Knowledge and beliefe of this defendant All which matters and things this Defendant is ready to aver and prove As this Hon'ble Court Shall award and humbly pray's to be hence dismissed with his reasonable Costs and charges in this behalf most wrongfully Sustained

Tho Bordley [per se]

Thomas Bordley the afore mentioned Defendant makes oath That what is contained in this his answer as alledged of his own act and Deed is true And that what relates to the act and deed of any other person he believes to be true And that what is therein denyed is not true in Such manner as therein is Set forth

Jurat 4<sup>th</sup> die Sep<sup>tres</sup> Anno Dni 1717<sup>mo</sup> Coram me

Sam<sup>18</sup> Young

The Replication of John Gresham Gentleman To the answer of Thos Bordley Gent defendant to the Bill of Complt of the Said John Gresham

The Said Replicant now and at all times hereafter Saving and reserving To himself the benefite and advantage of exception to the manifold incertaintyes and insufficiencyes imperfections, Subtil evasions and indecent Scandals in the Defendants Said answer contain'd for replication thereto or Soe much thereof as concerns the Replicant to reply unto he replyeth and Saith That the matters and things in his Said Bill of Complaint alledged are true in Such Sort and manner as therein expressed and that the matters and facts in the Said Defendants answer are not true as therein Set forth, and referrs him to the proof of the same, And further Replyeth and Saith that Since it is evident that the defendant insists on the Settlement of accounts made by the Complainant and him on or about November in the year one thousand Seven hundred and eight and that theire ought to be no examination [391] into what past before, be it ever Soe apparently unjust he hopes that this Hon'ble Court will judge that part of his ans' giving an account of the passages between him and the Complainant in years foregoing and of the accident by the fire of the State house to be contrived to Stuff his Answer with Amusements to hide the truth or at most can be looked upon little better than a Varnish designed to recommend his oppresions of the Complainant as acts becoming a Very indulging pious good Neighbour and a forbearing Creditor, And especially when the defendant takes upon him to descant upon Transactions which he but Supposes past between the Complainant and one