And whereupon the Said Edward in his proper person Saith that whereas the Said Richard the 27th day of March 1695 at Calvert County that is to Say at Charles Towne within the Jurisdiction of this Court by his Certaine bill Obligatory which the Said Edward with the Seale of the Said Richard Signed bringeth here into Court the Date whereof is the day and year aforesaid did Acknowledge himselfe to owe and Stand Justly Indebted unto the Said Edward Batson in the full Sume of four hundred pounds of good Sound large bright and Dry leafe tobaccoe and Caske to Containe the Same to be paid to the Said Edward Batson his heirs Executors Administrators or Assignes upon his the Said Richard Edwards then dwelling plantation at or upon the tenth day of October next after the date of the Said bill Obligatory to which payment well and truly to be made he the Said Richard did bind himselfe his heires Executors and Administrators firmly by those presents Notwithstanding which the Said Richard the Said Sume of 400 lbs. of tobaccoe and Caske According to the tennor of the Said [198] Bill Obligatory to him the Said Edward Altho often Required hath not Rendered but the Same to Render to the Said Edward hath denyed and Still doth denye to the Damage of the Said Edward of 800 lbs. of tobaccoe and thereof he brings his Suite etc.

Pledges etc. John Doe, Richard Roe. Edward Batson.

The plantiffe in his proper person haveing Issued out a writt against the Defendant which Said writt was by the Sheriffe of Prince Georges County Returned that the Said Defendant was not to be found in his balywicke and alsoe have Caused a Coppy of the Decleration to be Left at the house where the Defendand Last Lived in this County And Likewise it is testified here on part of the plantiffe that the Said Defendant hath Elloined himselfe out of the Jurisdiction of this Court etc. Whereupon the Said Edward Batson in his proper person prayeth an Attachment against the goods Chattles and Creditts of the Said Richard Edwards as well for the Said Sume of four hundred pounds of tobaccoe the Debt due by bill as aforesaid as alsoe the Sume of four hundred forty Seaven pounds of tobaccoe for his Costs and Charges in this behalfe Laid out and Expended etc. According to Act of Assembly in Such Cases made and provided etc. And by the Court here it is granted unto him etc.

Edward Brock plantiffe: Richard Edwards Defendant

It is Commanded the Sheriffe of Prince Georges County that he Attach the Sume of Sixteen hundred And twelve pounds of tobaccoe in the hands of any person or persons in this County and that hee make knowne to the Said person or persons that hee or they be here the next Court to be held at Charles Towne the fourth Tuesday in August next to Shew Cause if etc. why the Said goods Attached or the Vallue thereof Should not be Condemned and Execution to the Said Edward Brock thereof etc. Att which Said day the Sheriffe made Returne of the Said writt (Endorsed on the back) Attached in the hands of John Mills Debt and Cost and that he hath made knowne to the Said John Mills that he be here this day to Shew Cause if etc.

Per Thomas Greenfeild Sheriffe.

And uppon this the Said Edward Brock prayeth Condemnation and Execution against the Said John Mills of the Said 1612 lbs. of tobaccoe Soe aforesaid Attached to him by the Court here to be Adjudged etc. And the Said John Mills being Solemly Called Came here etc.

The truth of the matter in Controversie between the parties aforesaid by the Court here being heard understood and Maturely Deliberated it is Considered