

Shillings Lawfull money of England to be Payd unto the Said Seth Biggs his heires or assignes to the true performance of which the Said William Groome did binde himselfe his heires Executors and administrators firmly by these presents Notwith Standing which the Said William the Said Sume of 4 pounds 18 Shillings Lawfull money of England according to the tenor of the Said Wrighting obligatory to the Said Seth Biggs although often required hath not rendered but the Same to render to the Said Seth hath denyed and Still doth denye to the Damage of the Said Seth of nine pounds Sterling and thereof he brings this Suite etc.

Pledges etc. John Doe, Richard Roe. Joshua Cecell.

And the Said William by his attorney cometh and defendeth the force and Injury when etc. and prayeth the hearing of the Said wrighting obligatory and it is read unto him, he also prayeth the hearing of the Condition of the Said wrighting and it is read unto him in these words (viz.) the Condition of the above obligation is Such that if the above Said William Groome Shall well and truely pay or Cause to be Paid unto the abovesaid Seth Biggs or his assignes within forty dayes the Just Sume of two pounds nine Shillings Lawfull money of England then this obligation to be voyd and of none Effect Elce to Stand in Full Force and vertue.

The Plantiffe by his Attorney aforesaid haveing Ishued out a writt against the Deffendant which Said writt was by the Shreff returned that the Said Deffendant was not to be found in his Baylewick and likewise have Caused a Copy of the Declaration to be Left att the house where the Deffendant Last Lived in this County it is Likewise testified that the Said Deffendant hath aliated himselfe out of the Jurisdiction of this Court¹ whereupon the Said Seth Biggs by his attorney aforesaid prayeth an attachment against the Goods Chattles and Creditts of the Said William Groome for the Said Sume of 4 pounds Eighteen Shillings his Debt aforesaid as also the Sume of 429 pounds of Tobacco his Costs and Charges in this behalfe Layd out and Expended and by the Court it is Granted unto him.

Delancy and Company Plaintiff: Thomas Vaughun Defendant

Thomas Vaughun Late of Prince Georges County Planter Otherwise Called Thomas Vaughun of Callvert County in the Province of Maryland Planter was Summoned to answer unto Stephen Delancy and Company Merchants of New York of a plea that he render unto him the Just Sume of Eight Hundred fifty and Eight pounds of good Sound Merchantable Leaf Tobacco and Caske to them he oweth and from them unjustly deteineth.

And whereupon the Said Stephen and Company by Joshua Cecell their attorney Sais that whereas the Said Thomas the Eleventh day of July in the year of our Lord 1698 att Charles Towne within the Jurisdiction of this Court by his certaine bill obligatory which the Said Stephen and Company with the Seal of the Said Thomas Signed bringeth here into Court the Date whereof is the day and year aforesaid did binde himselfe his heires Executors and administrators to pay or Cause to be Paid unto them the Said Stephen Delancy and Company Merchants of New Yorke their heires Executors Administrators or Lawfull attorney the Just Sume of Eight Hundred fifty and Eight pounds of good sound Merchantable Leafe Tobacco and Caske Convenient in the Freshes of Patuxant River in Calvert County att or upon the tenth day of October next Ensueing the date of the bill Obligatory Notwithstanding which the Said Thomas the Said Sume of 858

¹ This entry is inconsistent with the previous entry that defendant's attorney appeared in court.