2002 pounds of Tobacco for his costs & charges af: To the same James Houston at his request by the Court now here of the absent of the parties af: adjudged which certain damages in the whole amount to Curr: Money & pounds of Tobacco & the af: Edward in Mercy &c So Forth

Command was given to the sheriffe of Somerset County that he should take Charles Cottingham Late of Somerset County planter and Elinor Cottingham his Wife if they should be found in his Bailywick and them safe keep so that he might have their bodies before the Justices of his Lordships County Court of Somerset To be held at princess Ann Town the third tuesday of March Anno Dom: one thousand seven hundred & Sixty three to answer unto James Mills & John Eden of a plea of trespass upon the Case &c and the same day is given to the af: James & John here &c At which day here Came the af: James Mills & John Eden by George Hayward their Attorney and the sheriff to wit Ephraim Wilson now here returned that he had taken the af: Charles Cottingham and Elinor his Wife whose bodys here at this day he had ready to answer the af: James Mills & John Eden of the plea af: as to him it was commanded And so For the Whereupon the af: Charles & Elinor put in their place Littleton Dennis Gent: Attorney at Law against the af: James & John of the af: plea ——

And hereupon at the prayer of the parties af: day is to them now here given untill next Court to be held at princess Ann Town the third tuesday of June then next following in the state that now saveing to the parties af: —— At which day here came the af: by their Attorney af: and hereupon the af: James Mills & John Eden complained against the af: Charles & Elinor Cottingham in the plea af: in form following —— —— Somerset ss Charles Cottingham Late of Somerset County planter & Elenor his Wife were attached to answer unto James Mills & John Eden of a plea of trespass upon the Case &c So Forth —— And Whereupon the said James & John by George Hayward their Att: complain that whereas the said Elenor whilst she was Sole to wit on the fourteenth Day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred sixty & Two at the County af: was Indebted unto the said James Mills & John Eden in the sum of seven pounds Eighteen shillings & nine pence Current Money of Maryland for the articles and things in the account hereto annexed mentioned & so thereof Indebted being the said Elenor (whilst she was Sole) in consideration thereof afterwards to wit the same day and year af: at the County af: upon herself assumed and to the said James and John then & there faithfully promised that she the said Elenor would well & faithfully pay & Satisfy to the said James & John the same Seven Pounds Eighteen shillings & nine pence Current Money af: when Ever she the said Elenor should be thereto afterwards Required Nevertheless the same Elenor (whilst she was Sole) and the said Charles and Elenor after the Marriage between them celebrated not regarding the promise & assumption of the said Elenor in form af: but Contriving & fraudulently Intending the said James & John in this Behalf Craftily & subtilly to deceive & defraud the af: Sum of Seven pounds Eighteen shillings & nine pence Current Money af: have not paid nor hath Either of them paid (altho often requested) but have altogether Refused and yet do refuse to pay the same to the said James & John or any wise to Content them for the same Whereupon the said James & John say they are worse & have damage to the Value of Fifteen pounds Current Money of Maryland & thereof they Bring suit &c So Forth pledges &c J Doe & R Roe

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