At which Court viz: the 22th day of June Anno Domi 1697 the day of Returns of ye Writt came Capt. Edward Swearingen high Shrift of ye County and made Returns of ye Writt in these following words Capi Edd: Swearingen Shrff

On which day came the said Daniel Norris by Richard Marklin his Attorney and prayed Oyer of the Writ to Imparlance until the Next Court which was Granted the same day & given to the Pltf assed and Now here att this day viz: the 25th day of August Anno Domi 1697 came as well the said Pltf by Thomas Courtney her Attorney as the said Defendt by Richard Marklin his Attorney & the said Action standing for Tryal

Elizabeth Courtney Adm: of Thomas Blackadar } Pltf
at
Daniel Norris Defendt } Kent ss: Daniel Norris otherwise called Daniel Norris of Kent County in the Province of Maryland Mason was summoned to Answer unto Eliz: Courtney Adm: of Thomas Blackadar of Talbot County Pltf of a plea that he render her the full and just sum of Twelve hundred and twenty pounds of good Sound and Merchantable Tobacco in Casks which from her he unjustly detaines

And whereupon the said Eliz: in her Capacity by Thomas Courtney her Attorney saith that whereas the said Daniel on the 16th day of March Anno 1696/7 in ye County within the Jurisdiction of this Court by his certain Bill or Writing obligatory sealed with his Seale as his Act and Deed delivered and here in Court brought whose date is the same day and Years did Acknowledge himself to Give and stand justly indebted unto the said Thomas in his life time the sum of 1220 of Tobacco qualified as aforesaid to be paid in convenient time in Choptank River att or upon the 10th day of October next Ensuing for the true and faithfull payment whereof he the said Daniel did bind him selfe his Heirs Exors and Adm: firmly by the said Bill Yet Notwithstanding the said Daniel the sum of 1220 of Tobacco according to the tenor of the same Bill unto the said Thomas in his life time he did not pay nor to the said Eliz: in her capacity since the Death of him the said Tho: he hath not paid but the same to pay he hath denied and refused and still doth deny and refuse to the damage of the said Pltff Eliz: the sum of 24 40 of Tobacco and thereupon she brings this suit and here in Court she brings her Letters of Adm: Courtney P. q. pledges Pl: Jno Doe Ric Roe