

The said Declaration and Bond being read the said Robert Brown in open Court Confessed judgment for
five thousand pounds of tobacco, But the said Attorney assumed in open Court that the said shall
only take out of the aforesaid five thousand pounds of tobacco. The just fees awarded by the said Justices
made in this Case occasioned etc. //

Maryland

Know all Men by these presents that I Robert Brown Merchant do own and acknowledge my self
to owe and stand justly indebted unto James Rouse of the County of Somerset in the Province of
his Highnesses Shires or Assigns the full Sum of one hundred & eighty pounds good and
lawfull money of England, the which payment well and lawfully to be made. I bind my self my
Heirs Executors Administrators jointly by these presents. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
I this my day the 28th day of October 1696: //

THE CONDITION of the Obligation is such that whereas the above bounden Robert Brown hath
Bargained with Sold unto the above James Rouse the one half of a Ship or Barque the
Annabina formerly belonging to Belfast in the Kingdom of Ireland with all her Sails
Linciers Cables and other appurtenances to the said half any way or belonging or appertaining
if therefore the said Robert Brown his Heirs Executors or Assigns shall from time to time and at all
times hereafter WARRANT the said of the one half of the said Ship or Barque unto him the said
James Rouse his Heirs Executors or Assigns to be good in all parts Ports or Harbours what
soever, so that the said Rouse his Heirs Executors or Assigns shall in no way to be molested
troubled or damaged by any Duke or Duke of Law by any former owner or owners of the said
Ship or Barque or any other person or persons whatsoever upon the act of the said of the
said half of the Ship or Barque aforesaid, that then this Obligation is to void of necessity
or else to be of remain in full force power & Virtue //

Signed Sealed & Delivered in presence of us.
Samuel Davis
Thomas Morris

Robert Brown

Memorandum that this 13th day of September Dominii 1696 Samuel Davis in open Court
made Oath that he saw Robert Brown seal sign and deliver the above Bond //

Teste // Officiarius & C.

George Layfield Esq. } Somerset County to Benjamin Deards late of Somerset
Benj Deards Esq. } County Sany or was summoned to answer unto Geo. Layfield
Esq. of a plea that he owed unto him the full & just Sum
of four thousand four hundred & eighty Pounds of good