

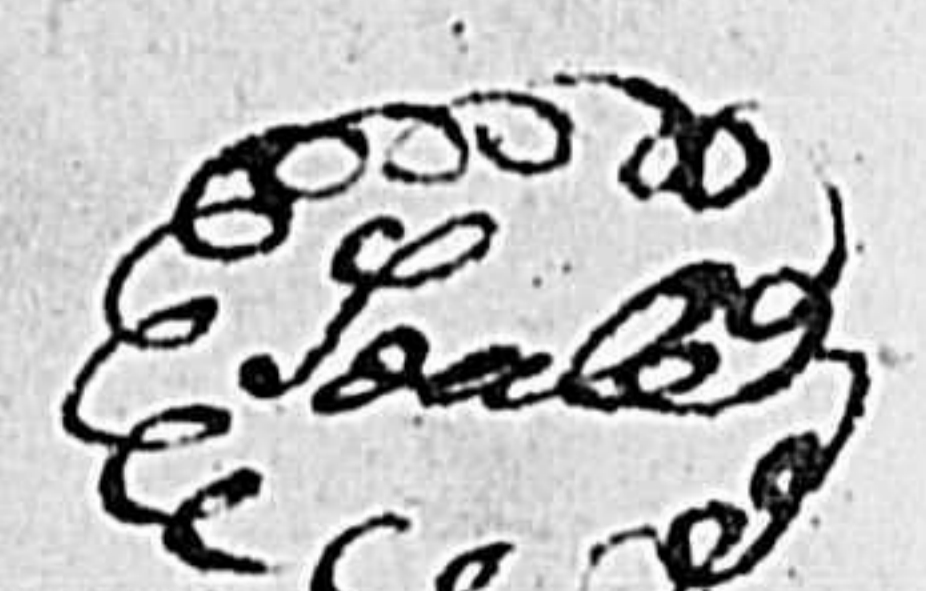
argued.

KNOW all men by these presents That we William Bladen
of the County of Annapolis Esq. and William Dent Esq. are
firmly bound unto his Sacred Majesty King William
the third of England or in the full Sum of one thousand
pounds Sterling money of England to be paid to his said Majesty
his heirs and Successors To the which payment well and
truly to be made we our selves our heirs &c. &
ours firmly by these presents sealed with our Seals &
Dated this 16. day of April in the 10. Year of his said
Majesty's Reigne of Annoq. Dni 1701

The Condition of the above Obligation is Such that whereas
his Ex. Nathaniel Blakiston Esq. Cap. generall and Gov. in Chief in
and over this his Majesty's Province of Maryland upon the Death of
Thomas Lawrence Esq. his Majesty's late Secretary of this Province hath
by his Commission under his hand and Seal bearing Date here-
with putt in Appointed and Impowred his above bound W. Bladen
To take and receive into his possession and care all the Records
of this said Province and in all things to supply the Vacancy
of this said place & Office of Secretary. Now the Condition of this
Obligation is such that if the said Bladen do in all things according
to the Obligation and Duty of his said Office well and truly observe
perform and execute the same either by himself or such of his
as he will answer for without fraud or feign and well and truly
resigne and deliver the same Office and all Records and other papers
Writings and Deeds w. shall be to him delivered together with what
shall be recd. Entred or Enrolled during his continuance therein contrary
to his Majesty his heirs or Succ. or Govern. for the time being to the
said Bladen shall be discharged herefrom that then this Obligation
to be void otherwise to be and remaine in full force and virtue

Sealed and Delivered
In the presence of
John Freeman
Esq. Thomas
Jane Robinson

W. Bladen



W. Dent

