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body with and him should safe keep so that he might have his body before the Justice of his
Lordship's County Court of Somerset to be hold at dividing week the third Tuesday of June then next
to answer unto Ephraim Willson of a plea of trespass upon the case &c. and that thereof he should
not fail &c. At which said third Tuesday of June to wit the twenty first day of the same
month and Dowd one thousand seven hundred and twenty six being the day of the return of the
said writ Cometh the said Ephraim Willson by Lewis Gale his attorney and the Sher of Somerset
County to whom the foregoing writ was directed Likewise Cometh and maketh return thereof to
the Court here endorsed in these words following viz Regi Coram et Humis Allen Sher

Whereupon the said John Bidell being called appears and thereupon the said John Bidell at the
prayer of the said attorney &c. is adjudged to give special bail to the action &c. but for want
thereof the said John Bidell is committed into the custody of the Sher of Somerset County there to remain
&c. the said Sher ^{being} present here in Court took charge of the said John Bidell accordingly thereupon
day is given to the said John Bidell in custody as aforesaid until next Court, and the same day is given unto
the said Elfr here also - At which said next Court to wit the sixteenth day of August and
Dowd one thousand seven hundred and twenty six Cometh againe the said Ephraim Willson by his
attorney &c. and thereupon the said Ephraim by his said attorney declared against the said John
Bidell in the plea &c. as followeth viz.

Somerset County &c. John Bidell late of Somerset County Gent was attached to
answer unto Ephraim Willson of the plea of trespass upon the case &c.
And whereupon the same Ephraim by Lewis Gale his attorney complains that whereas
the said John the eighteenth day of April and Dowd one thousand seven hundred and
twenty six at Somerset County within the Jurisdiction of this Court was indebted unto the
same Ephraim in the sum of four pounds sixteen shillings and nine pence current money
as by a note here within Court produced may appear and so thereof being indebted the
said John in consideration thereof afterwards to wit the same day and year aforesaid at the
County aforesaid within the aforesaid Jurisdiction upon himselfe a promise and to the same Ephraim
then and there faithfully promised that he when afterwards he should be there to requeste
he the said sum of four pounds sixteen shillings and nine pence current money to the same
Ephraim would well and faithfully content and pay Nevertheless the said John his promise
and assumption aforesaid in form aforesaid made Little regarding but plotting and fraudulently
intending the said Ephraim in that part to defraud and deceive he the said John the said
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