

<sup>20</sup> day of March 1729/30 which being Read and heard he *Liberis* prays an hearing of the condition of the same writing and he hath it in these words The condition of the above Obligation is that if the above bounden John Videll Joseph McCarter Patrick Conely & the Rev<sup>d</sup> Thomas Fletcher or either of them their heirs &c<sup>d</sup> adm<sup>r</sup>. or assigns shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto Hugh Porter to him his heirs &c<sup>d</sup> adm<sup>r</sup>. the sum of thirty pounds Irish Value at or before the <sup>20</sup> day of September next or deliver the above named John Videll who is now a prisoner into the custody of the above named Hugh Porter then the above Obligation to be void and of none effect or otherwise to remain in full force power and virtue in Law which being Read and heard he prays that the Originall writt on the writing Obligatory afo by the afo John Tunstall as assignee of the said Hugh Porter Impres-  
 trated may be Enrolled and it is Enrolled in these words Vid<sup>t</sup> Somerset County's Charles absolute Lord and propriety of the province of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. to the Sheriff of Somerset County greeting we command you that you take Patrick Connelly late of Somerset County felt maker otherwise called Patrick Conolly of the same place latter if he shall be found in your Bailiwick and him safe keep so that you have his body before our Justices of our County Court of Somerset to be hold at Dividing Week the third Tuesday of March next to answer unto John Tunstall assignee of Hugh Porter according to the form of the act of assembly in such case provided of a plea that he tender unto him Sixty pounds Sterling which to him the Overt and unjustly detaineth &c. hereof fail not at your perill and have you there this writt Wittissh Samuel Hopkins Gent. Chief Justice of our said Court the <sup>20</sup> day of November in the 17<sup>th</sup> Year of our Dominion &c. and Dowd: 1731 Thomas Hayward Clerk Levee  
 York / I find December <sup>20</sup> 1731 -- which being Enrolled the said Patrick Conely having Read the same he saith that the afo John Tunstall assignee of the said Hugh Porter his action afo by vertue of the writing Obligatory afo against him to have or maintain ought not because protesting that there is avariance between the writing Obligatory afo and the Originall writt above thereon Impretrated by means whereof that writt ought to abate protesting also that the Declaration afo and the matter therein contained are altogether Insufficient in Law and that he thereto hath noe need or by the Law of the Land is any sort hold to answer for plea he never-  
 theless saith that the said Hugh Porter at the time of the making the writing Obligatory afo and long before was and since hath been an under Sheriff of the County of Somerset (to witt) at the County in due form of Law according to the Laws usages and Customs of this province appointed and Qualified and that the said John Videll in the writing Obligatory afo and the condition of the same named was by due Course of Law at the time of the making the writing Obligatory afo in the custody of the said Hugh Porter as under Sheriff of the same County (to witt) at that County and the afo Patrick Conely further saith that that writing was made to and accepted by the said Hugh Porter by Colour of his Office of under Sheriff of the said County of Somerset