

Value of eight pounds Six Shillings & Eleven pence (current money of Maryland) by pretext
 whereof also by force of the Statute in that case made and provided the a^s. John Britt
 and Thomas Bellings became chargeable to pay to the said Heritt Ratchford the a^s. sum
 of seven pounds Eleven Shillings and nine pence of the value a^s. according to the tenor of
 the said note and being so thereof chargeable the a^s. John Britt & Thomas Bellings on con-
 sideration thereof afterward to wit on the third day of June Ann. Dom. Seventeen hundred
 & thirty three at the County a^s. upon themselves did assume and to the said Heritt
 Ratchford then and there faithfully promise to pay to the said Heritt the a^s. sum of
 money of the value a^s. according to the tenor of the said note and altho the a^s. John and
 Thomas have paid to the said Heritt the sum of two pounds Seven Shillings and eight pence
 half penny current money of Virginia of the value of two pounds twelve Shillings & five
 pence half penny current money of Maryland part of the said seven pounds Eleven
 Shillings & nine pence current money of Virginia Nevertheless as to five pounds four Shilling
 and a half penny current money of Virginia of the value of five pounds fourteen Shilling
 and five pence half penny current money of Maryland residue of the said seven pounds Ele-
 ven Shillings & nine pence current money of Virginia the a^s. John Britt & Thomas Bellings
 their promise and assumption a^s. in manner and form a^s. made little regarding but
 minding and fraudulently Intending the a^s. Heritt in that part craftily and Subtily to
 deceive and defraud the a^s. five pounds four shillings & one half penny current money
 of Virginia of the value of five pounds fourteen shillings and five pence half penny
 current money of Maryland residue of the said seven pounds Eleven shillings & nine
 pence current money of Virginia to the s^r. Heritt at four months after the date of the said
 note did not pay altho the same to doe by the said Heritt afterwards viz^t on the thirtieth
 day of November in the year last mentioned at the County a^s. the said John and Thomas
 were required, but the same to him to pay have altogether refused and still doe refuse to
 the damage of the said Heritt Ratchford Eleven pounds current money of Maryland and
 thereof he brings Suit &c.

pledges v: John Doe & Ric: Roe

A copy of the foregoing declaration was made and sent to be served on the def^t. with the writ in the plea a^s. According to act of Assembly in such case made and provided

All which said third tuesday of November to wit the nineteenth day of the same month and Dow
 one thousand Seven hundred and thirty four Cometh the said Heritt Ratchford by his attorney a^s. and
 the Sheriff of Somerset County to whom the foregoing writ was directed Likewise Cometh & in behalf John
 Doe of the said County Endorsed in these words: *vid Gei forora deida in linc delivered p^ros m^r Heritt*

Whereupon the said John Britt and Thomas Biling by Francis Allen their attorney Come and defend the
 force and Injury whereof and pray that the a^s. Heritt Ratchford may give Security for Costs in case they
 be nonsuited in the plea a^s. which is by the Court granted thereupon a certain John Dennis Ind^t of
 Somerset County heath present his s^r. Court in his proper person undertake for the said Heritt that in case
 he be nonsuited in the plea a^s. or otherwise Legally Cost that then the said Heritt shall pay the Condannation