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ponnd. Curt. money of the afd province which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c and that there  
of he should not fail &c. and the afd Jacob Hammond by Francis Allen his attorney Complaind  
against the aforesaid William Stevens in the plea afd as followeth vid

Somerset County pt<sup>o</sup>. William Stevens late of fallhollows parish in the County of Somerset planter  
ad. dict<sup>o</sup> Will<sup>m</sup>. Stevens of Somerset County in the province of Maryland planter was summoned  
to answer unto Jacob Hammond of a plea that he render unto him seven pounds current money  
of the aforesaid province which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c

And whereupon the said Jacob by Francis Allen his attorney saith that whereas  
the said William, the twenty third day of September anno Dom<sup>o</sup> Seventeen hundred  
and thirty five at the County of Somerset afd. within the Jur. of this Court by his  
certain writing obligatory which the said Jacob with the seal of the said William  
signed here into ~~the~~ bring the date whereof the same day and year did acknowledge  
himself to owe and stand justly indebted unto the afd. Jacob in the afd. seven pounds  
money afd. to be paid as followeth in Corn wheat porke or Tobacco at the market  
price at or before the first day of February next Ensuing the day of the date of  
the said writing yett the said William tho often required the said seven pounds money  
afd. according to the contents of the said writing unto the said Jacob upon the afd. first  
day of February hath not rendered but the same to him hitherto to render hath  
denyed and still doth deny and unjustly detain whereupon the said Jacob saith  
he is worse and hath damage to the value of six pounds Curt. money of Maryland  
afd. And thereupon he brings suite &c. pledgor & In De Rico

A copy of the foregoing declaration was made and sent to be served on the deft aurd.  
in a public assembly in such case made and provided &c.

All which said writ Tuesday of March with the sixteenth of the same month aurd.  
Dom<sup>o</sup> One thousand seven hundred and thirty five being the day of the return of the same  
with Cometh the said Jacob Hammond by his attorney aforesaid and the Sheriff of Somerset County  
to whom the foregoing writ was directed Likewise Cometh and maketh return thereof to the Court  
here Entered in these words following vid Copi Copia declaration delivred in this Court

Whereupon the said William Stegham came hereunto Court in his proper person and thereupon  
on the said William Stevens at the prayer of the afd Jacob Hammond it ad Jud god to give Special  
Bail to the action afd. Whereupon a certain John Gornowall late of Somerset County planter  
present here in Court in his proper person tendered for the same William Stevens and affirmed  
upon himself Likewise the said William Stevens affirmed upon himself that if in case the said  
Jacob Hammond should recover Judgment in the plea afd against the said William Stevens or that  
the said William Stevens should be thorn convicted that then he the said William Stevens  
should pay the Judgment of the Court thereupon or tender his body in Execution of  
such