

Now Alexander Smith Hawkins Esqr Judgment heard  
vs Thomas Mudd Judgment by Verdict Informal

Charles County vs Thomas Mudd late of Charles County Planter other wise called  
Thomas Mudd of Charles County was summoned to answer unto Alexander  
Smith Hawkins of plea that he owes unto him the full and Just sum of Thirty  
Thousand Pounds of good sound Merchantable Leaf Tobacco in Cash which he  
he owes and unjustly detains and do so forth

And Wherefore the said Alexander Smith by his Attorney hath  
that whereas the said Thomas on the Twentieth Day of April in the year of our Lord  
one Thousand Seven Hundred and forty seven at Charles County Va: by his  
Certain Writing Obligatory with the seal of him the said Thomas Mudd and  
hereinbount Produced whose Date is the day and year afo: doth acknowledge himself  
to be held and firmly bound unto the said Alexander Smith in the sum of Thirty  
Thirty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco afo: to be paid to the said Alex: Smith  
when thereunto afterwards he should be requested Seven Months the said Tho:  
Mudd altho' often requested the said sum of Thirty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco  
afo: or any Part thereof the said Alexander Smith hath not Paid or any  
but the same to him the said Alexander Smith to Pay or in any sort to perform  
both hither to altogether refused and still doth refuse to the Damage of the  
Alexander Smith Hawkins Thirty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco afo: and the  
suit is brought forth

And the said Thomas Mudd by Henry Darnall his Attorney comes & appears  
before and answers that he doth deny the said Writing Obligatory and  
his Payment of the same and he doth pay a hearing of the said Writing Obligatory  
and his Payment to him in the words following to wit

The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above  
Bound George Jarwin Thomas Mudd, and James Mudd their Executors  
Adms: do and shall will and truly pay or cause to be paid to the said Alexander  
Smith Hawkins or his Executors or Assigns the full and Just  
sum of fifteen Thousand Pounds of good sound Merchantable Leaf Tobacco  
in Cash or upon the first Day of June next ensuing with legal Interest for  
the same then the above obligation to be void else to remain and be in full force  
Power and Virtue in Law but if default be made in the Payment of the said sum  
of fifteen Thousand Pounds of good sound Merchantable Leaf Tobacco in Cash  
then we Impower any Attorney in any Court of Record in the Realm of Great  
Britain France or Ireland or within the Province of Maryland or other his  
Majesties Dominions to appear for us our Heirs Exors: Adms: and Assigns of them  
at the suit of the above named Alexander Smith Hawkins his Exors: Adms:  
or Assigns and to receive a declaration on the above obligation & thereupon  
Confess Judgment by Verdict Cognovit Actum Non sum inform