

being burthenome or chargeable to relations Country
Sheriffe or Goaler as also the Creditor or Creditors at whose
Suite Such prisoners are in prison claimed their Executors or
Administrators Agents or attorneys in fact as also the
Sheriffe or Goaler in whose custody Such Debtors are
detained with the cause of Such their detainer. Before
which Said Justices or any three of them as aforesaid Such prisoners
shall take the following Oath Viz: I. A. B. do upon my
Corporall Oath solemnly profess and declare before
Almighty God that I have not any Estate Real or personall
in possession Reversion remainder or in Trust to the Value
of five pounds Sterling in the whole more than what I have
and will give up and Surrender or sufficient to pay the debt or
damages for which I am imprisoned and that I have not
directly or Indirectly sold leased or otherwise conveyed disposed
of or intrusted all or any part of my Estate hereby to secure
the same to receive or expect any profits or advantage thereof
or deceive or defraud any Creditor or Creditors whatsoever to whom
I stand indebted and that I was actually a prisoner in the
Custody of a a a a Sheriffe at the Suite of a a a a on the
a a a days of and have so continued unto this day without my
own procurement or any fraud or deceit whatsoever. So help
me God. And the Said Justices or any three of them as
aforesaid are hereby impowred to administer Such Oath and to
Examine the Debtor or any other person upon Oath about his
poverty and of the notice given to Such Sheriffe Goaler and
Creditors of the cause and Time of Such prisoners coming
before Such Justices as aforesaid. And if upon Such Examination
the said Justices or any three of them as aforesaid shall find Such
Debtors or prisoners to be really poor and not able to maintaine
themselves without being chargeable to Sheriffs relations or
Country as aforesaid that then it shall and may be Lawfull to and
for Such Justices or any three of them as aforesaid to give notice
to the Creditor or Creditors their Executors or administrators
agents or attorneys to appear before them or any three of them
as aforesaid at a certain time and place to be by them appointed
for that purpose to shew Cause why Such Debtor or debtors should
not be discharged and if Such Creditors their Executors or
administrators agents or attorneys will not appear or

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