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Testimony of the witnesses that have testified to the said before this —  
 Accounts otherwise all which is the said Executor administrator —  
 refused or neglect to do then the said matter and thing by the publick  
 Notary or other officer appointed as aforesaid Certified shall not be received  
 in Evidence for Valid against the Debtor. A. D. 1750.

**And be it Enacted** by the Authority aforesaid that all and  
 every the attorney and attorneys who shall be employed in the  
 prosecution of such suits shall put in Security to pay the Defendant  
 all such Costs and Charges as shall be by the Defendant in that  
 Case expended in Case the plaintiff be cast in suit and to the end of no  
 honest Debtor who shall not flee from the place or County where  
 he contracted his debt nor willfully absconded himself or fled from  
 Justice shall be surprised by unnecessary and vexatious suits at law

**Be it Enacted** by the Authority aforesaid and Consent aforesaid  
 no person whatsoever residing or trading in or to this Province —  
 their Executors administrators agents factors or assignees shall  
 for any sum or sums of tobacco or money due or owing to him by  
 account upon book or otherwise and for which the Debtor shall  
 not pay his hand and seal to such his Creditor sue and implead  
 such Debtor his executors in any Court of record within this  
 Province unless he shall first demand and require the same of  
 such Debtor proper person or otherwise at the habitation or  
 place of residence of the said Debtor in the County where he  
 shall dwell to prove which demand the Creditor or Demandants  
 oaths shall be sufficient and if the Debtor be not at home  
 to be spoken with then such Demandant shall leave a note under  
 the hand of such Creditor or Demandant or those he shall empower  
 to receive the same what time and to whom the same shall repair  
 and if thereupon the same be not paid accordingly then it shall and  
 may be lawful for such Creditor to sue and implead such Debtor  
 and recover against him all such Costs and damages as upon so galling  
 tryall in any Court of this Province having Cognizance of the  
 cause shall be adjudged as before the making this act —

**But in Case** any person or persons shall sue and implead such Debtor as aforesaid without making demand as aforesaid the Debtor  
 shall plead that the debt was never demanded by such person the debtor —  
 shall be taken to Admitt the plaintiffs declaration to be good & shall  
 only put the demand in issue which issue if the plaintiffs do not join in  
 then the plaintiff shall be taken to have made no demand and