he hath it and the Same day is given to the pltf also — Att which Said next Court to wit the Eighteenth day of June anno Dom. One thousand Seven hundred and twenty three Comes again as well the Said pltf by her attorney aft as the Said deft by his attorney aft and the Said Deft by his Said attorney prays further Leave to Imparle hereunto while the next Court and he hath it and the Same day is given to the pltf also —

Att which Said next Court to wit the twenty eth day of August anno Dom. One thousand Seven hundred and twenty three Comes again as well the Said pltf by his attorney aft as the Said deft by his attorney aft and the Said deft by his Said attorney as before defend. the force and Injury when &c. and Says that the aft Lady Ballemore her action aft against him Ought not to have because he Says that the aft William Stevens in his Life time paid the aft Lord Ballemore upon the aft tenth day of October next Ensueing the date of the Bille aft the aft three thousand pounds of Tobo which he upon the Same day Ought to pay according to the form and Effect of the Bille aft Dated at Coventry Parish in Somersett County aft and this he is ready to verifie wherefore he prays Judgt. if the aft Lady Ballemore her action aft against him Ought to have &c. — Lewis Gale pltf Deft

And the aft Margarett Lady Ballemore Saith that She by any thing by the Said Thomas above in his plea alledged from having her action aft Ought not to be Barred because She Saith that the aft William Stephens in his Life time did not pay the aft Lord Ballemore in his Life time the aft three thousand pounds of Tobo and Cask upon the aft tenth day of October next Ensueing the date of the Bille aft at Coventry parish in Somersett County aft according to the form and Effect of the Bille aft as the aft Thomas above in pleading hath alledged. and this She prays may be Enquired of by the Country &c. — ff Allen pltf Dft — and he deft in like manner — Lewis Gale pltf Deft

Thereupon Command is given to the Sherr. of Somersett County that Immediately he Cause to Come here twelve &c. by whom &c. who neither &c. to Inquire &c. Because as well &c. of which Said precept the Said Sherr. to wit Joseph Mundister Gentn. Now here at this day to wit the twenty eth day of August anno Dom. One thousand Seven hundred & twenty three aft makes return that he has here ready twelve &c. as by his Said Precept he was Commanded and now here afterwards to wit the Same day and year Comes as well the Said pltf as the Said deft by their attorneys aft and the Jurors of that Jury Impannelled Being Called Came to wit Richard Holland, John Beawens, John Fleming, Jonathan Raymond, Charles Somerscard, John Tull, John Gillett, Thomas Collins, John Turvell, John Williams, Robert Michell, William Walton who being duely Elected tryed and Sworn to Say the truth in the premisses upon their Oath do say that the aft William Stephens in his Life time did pay unto the aft Lord Ballemore in his Life time the aft Sume of three thousand pounds of Tobo in the Bille Obligatory aft mentioned &c. Therefore it is Considered by the Justices here the twenty eth day of August anno Dom. One thousand Seven hundred and twenty three aft that the Said Margarett Lady Ballemore Executrix of the Same Charles Lord Baron of Ballemore &c. late nothing by her Writt and declaration aft but be in mercy for her false Clamour and that the Said Thomas Layfield Sue &c. in as aft &c. Hence without day &c. —

Whereupon the Said Margarett Lady Ballemore Exx as aft by her attorney aft prays an appeale from the Judgt. of this Court in the action aft to the Justices of the provincial Court to be held at the City of Annapolis the Second tuesday of September next which is granted She giveing Bond for the due prosecution thereof according to Law which Bond is as follows viz. Knowall men by these presents that I John Caldwell of Somersett —

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