at the County of Cumberland aforesaid by his
Letters bill obligatory Did acknowledge himself to
owe unto the said Nicholas Sporne the aforesaid
five thousand five hundred and sixteen pounds of Tobacco
and Did engage himself Severally to the said Sporne
for the said five thousand five hundred and sixteen pounds
of Tobacco to be paid unto the said Nicholas Sporne
at or on the 10th Day of October then next Ensuing
at which said tenth Day of October the aforesaid
Nicholas Sporne Did require the said Robinett at
Jamestowe Doctor to pay unto him the said Nicholas
the aforesaid five thousand five hundred and sixteen
pounds of Tobacco which the said Robinett to the said
Nicholas Did not pay but the same to him to pay
Did Denye by which the said Nicholas afterwards to
wit the 15th Day of August 1699 at the County of
Cumberland aforesaid in the County Court of Cumberland
County Did Exhibit a Bill against him the
said Cross by means of which plaint the said John
Cross was for the said five thousand five hundred and
sixteen pounds of Tobacco at the suit of the said Nicholas
at the County of Cumberland aforesaid taken Arrested
and Detained in prison until he the said John Cross the
said five thousand five hundred and sixteen pounds of Toba
unto the said Sporne then paid and the said John Cross in fact
saith that the said Robinett at the time of the said Cross
Judgement for him and Discharging his Debtor aforesaid
Did then and there in Consideration of which Engagement
assume upon himself to save harmless him the said
Cross of and from the bill obligatory aforesaid
the said Robinett his promise and assumption aforesaid
in manner aforesaid Craftily and Deceitfully mislead him the said Cross in the behalfe Craftily used and Publickly

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to Deceive and Defraud him the said Cross from the said
bill obligatory Contrary to the form particularly on the
11th of Aug.st 1701 at Cumberland County aforesaid
by the said Cross against Reason not Good Conscience but
from off and from the same to Save himself harmless
Did Deny and still Doth Deny to satisfy upon the said
Cross Bill aforesaid Demanded and Doth Cross to the value
of fifteen thousand pounds of Tobacco and thereof the
Damage this Suit etc

pledges Jno Doe
Rich Roe

And the said Allen Robinett by William Bladen
Attorney Comes and Defends the force and Injury when etc
and prayes Leave to Imparle thereunto until next Court
and he hath it and the same Day is given the parties
also

At which said most Court to wit this fourteenth day of May
1706. Comes as well the said John Cross by his Attorney as the said
Allenie Robinet by his said Atty and the said John Cross by his said Atty
prays that the said Allenie Robinet to his declaration aforesaid may answer
Whereupon the said William Bladen atty for the said Allenie Robinet
saith that he is not informed by the said Allenie to make any
answer for him the said Allenie to the said John Cross in
the plea aforesaid or any thing further thereon saith in bar or preclusion
of the action aforesaid of the said John Cross whereby the said John Cross
thereof remains against the said Allenie Robinet undamaged &c

Therefore It is Considered that the said John Cross recover against
the said Allenie Robinet his Damages by Occasion of the plaintiff
but because it is not known to the Court here what damages the
said John Cross has sustained by occasion thereof Command is given
the Sheriff of Cumberland County that he Immediately on good
Lawfull men in his bailiwick Diligently Enquire what Damages
the said John Cross has sustained by occasion of the plaintiff and that
the Inquisition which thereof he shall make to make appeare

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