

The petition granted and ordered that warrant issue forth of the Land Office for one hundred and thirty one acres the remainder of the abovesaid warrant due to the Petitioner by the assignm^t aboves^d Liber K

To his Excellency Lionel Copley Esq^r Captain Generall & Governor in Chief of Maryland

The humble petition of W^m Dent & Ioseph
Bullet of Charles County

Humbly sheweth

That your Petitioners accordingly to the Direction of an Act of Assembly of this Province for Encouragement of building Water Mills have procured out of their Majestys high Court of Chancery a Certain Writ of ad quod Damnum for 20 Acres of Land lying on a Run of Water at Mattawoman in Charles County on which run of Water your Petitioners as well for the publick as their own private good & Commodity have began and almost finished a Mill, and the said Writ is in due Form of Law executed and returne thereof made as by the same Writ and returne here ready to be tendred to your Excellency may more plainly appear p. 131

The premises considered your Petitioners humbly pray your Excellency to grant your Pctitioners the said 20 Acres of Land for the purpose aforesaid for the term of 80 Years according to the tenor of the said Act they being ready to give such security as the same Law requires which your Pet^{rs} humbly pray may be taken by one of the Councill or two Commissioners in Charles County

And as in duty bound they shall ever pray

Which Petition was granted and ordered that Deed be drawn for the said 20 Acres of Land to the Petitioners to be signed p his Excellency the Governor to their use according to the tenor of the Act mentioned & that the honble Captⁿ Iohn Courts a member of this Board resident in Charles County be desired and empowred to take of the Pet^{rs} such security as the Law requires, all which was done and accordingly issued

At a Councill held at the City of St Marys
the 23^d day of December Anno Domini 1692

Present

His Excellency the Governor

the honble { Coll^o Nea Blakiston Capt Iohn Courts
 { Coll^o Nic^o Greenberry Thomas Brooke Esq^r }
 { Thomas Tench Esq^r }

Upon motion made to this Board by the honble Coll^o Nicholas p. 132