

in the yeare of our Lord one Thousand Six hundred fifty & Two his Lord^p the Right Honn Cæcilius Lord Proprietrij of noble memorij in Consideration thereof and according to the Tenor of his Lor^{pps} Letter under his hand and Seale bearing date att Portsmouth in the Realme of England the Eighth day of August in the yeare of our Lord one Thousand Six hundred thirtij and Six Recorded in the Secretarys office in this Province did by his Letters Pattent under the great Seale of the said Province bearing date the twelfth day of December in the yeare of our Lord one thousand Six hundred fifty and Three grant unto the s.^d Cap.ⁿ W.^m Hawley all that tract of Land on the west side of Chessepiake Bay neare unto a Creeke Called S^t Jeromes Creeke Beginning on the west Side of the said Creeke att a marked Chesnutt Tree standing neere a marsh or Swamp called s^t Davids Swamp and Running west from the said Chesnutt for the length of Eighty perches unto a marked Oake in a valeij bounding on the west w.th a line Drawn north from the said Oake for the length of Eight hundred fifty five perches unto a fresh Runn and with a line Drawn North and by West unto the Land of Stanhope Roberts called Drapers Neck on the North w.th the said Land on the East with the said Baij from Drapers neck unto the mouth of S.^t Jeroms Creeke on the south with a line drawn west from the mouth of the said Creeke unto the first marked Chesnutt Tree and the first West Lyne Contayning & then layd out for five thousand Seaven hundred Acres more or less together w.th all Profetts Rights & Benefitts there unto Belonging To have and to hold the Same to him the said W.^m Hawleij his heyres and assignes for ever to be holden of the mannor West S.^t Maryes in free & Co^mon Soccage bij fealty for all manner of Services under the yearly Rent of five pounds fourteene shillings Sterl. or eleaven Barrells and Two Bushells of good Corne as bij the said Letters pattents Ready to be produced under the great Seale of this Province might more att large appear by vertue whereof the said William Hawley became Seized and possessed of the Said Lands and premisses in his Demesne of fee and being soe Seized and haveing a great kindnesse & affection for the Comp.^{lt} being his god Sonne and minding & intending to Settle all or most part of the Said Lands & premisses on the Comp.^{lt} & his heyres and assignes for ever hee the said Captain William Hawley did about the yeare of our Lord one Thousand Six hundred fifty and four make his last will and testament in writeing Sealed and published in the Presence of Divers Credible Wittnesses and therein and thereby amongst other things did give devise and bequeath the said Lands and Premisses to the Comp.^{lt} & his heyres and assignes for ever and shortly after dyed leaving the Comp.^{lt} an Infant of about two yeares old after whose death the Comp.^{lt} by vertue of the Said will became Legally intituled to the Said Lands and premisses & then ought to have held and enjoyed

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