

Liber FF Before John Ringgold had answered all the Interrogatorys The Court making inspecōn into the premisses which prou'd something difficult for the Court to understand the allegacōns of either party, Whereuppon it was Ordered, That by the ueiw of a Jury of twelue men of the neighbourhood, and a suruey^r they doe returne und^r their hands to th^e next Prouin^{all} Court a suruey of Ant^o Purs and [p. 258] James Ringgolds lands now in dispute according to the bounds of each pattent And allsoe a plott of each suruey, The said lands to be laid out by a Chaine

To the hon^{ble} Charles Caluert Governo^r & Leiutenn^t Generall of the Prouince of maryland and to the Rest of his Hon^{ble} Council

The humble petⁿ of Thomas Hinson most humbly sheweth

That neer about 7 yeares last past yo^r pet^r did make an agreem^t wth mr Tho: Ringgold that the said m^r Ringgold should suruey 600 acres of land for yo^r pet^r and pattent it in his owne name, hee hauing 600 more of his owne adjoining unto it and afterwards to Assigne halfe of the s^d pattent unto yo^r pet^r hee paying the halfe of th^e Charge and returning the said m^r Ringgold soe many rights againe, The which 600 acres of yo^r pet^r's aforesaid was diuided and bounded by two markt trees, distinct from the said M^r Tho: Ringgolds and named by yo^r pet^r Huntingfeild, beginning att a small Creeke called Huntingfeild Creeke to this day, and is allsoe named in the Pattent But now soe it is, That the said Mr Ringgold doth refuse to make an Assignm^t thereof Notwthstanding yo^r pet^r hath often demanded the same, and hath built & Cleer'd upon the s^d land

The p^rmisses Considered yo^r pet^r humbly Craues That his wittnesses may be sworne, who cann testifye the aforesaid Agreem^t, and that he may haue p^rsent Order ags^t the said Mr Ringgold according to law and good Conscience wth Cost of suite, And he shall pray &^c

[p. 259] Thomas Hinson plaintiffe } The Defend^{ts} answer (uizt) The De-
Thomas Ringgold defend^t } fend^t pleads that the plaintiffe Claimes
Six hundred acres of land beginning att the mouth of Huntingfeild
Creeke and saith in his Declara^ōn that the defend^t hath built and
Cleered the said land which thing is not true, therefore the defend^t
prays that the writt may abate and that the plaintⁱ pay Cost & damage
for such unjust molestacōn

Vide those Interrogatorys entred in fo: 255 should haue been brought in here they belonging to this sute

after which being sworne unto by South and James Ringgold, John Ringgold not answering them all, but onely this he said that he heard his father say, That m^r Hinson should haue his Choice of 2600 acres