

Liber R. G. Provided always, And be it enacted that the said Commissioners
1771 before they enter upon the Execution of their Office, shall and they
[Proviso.] are hereby required to take the several Oaths to the Government
repeat and subscribe the Test and take the following Oath that is
to say, You, “A B do swear that you will well & faithfully execute
the Trust reposed in you as a Commissioner under the Act of As-
sembly intituled an Act to remedy divers Defects in the Records of
Charles County agreeable to the Directions of said Act and according
to the best of your Skill and Judgment. So help you God.”

[Com- And be it further enacted That the said Commissioners or the
mission- Major Part of them shall have Power to call the Clerk of said
ers to County to attend them at all Times in his Office when they shall
call the Clerk to at- think convenient who shall and is hereby authorized and required
tend them.] in the Presence of the said Commissioners or the Major Part of
p. 144 them to correct & amend such Records as they shall direct. And
[Their the said Commissioners and Clerk shall be allowed for their At-
allowance.] tendance the same as Justices of the County Court to be levied in the
same Manner.

And Whereas it appears to the present General Assembly, that
there are sundry Land Commissions and Depositions thereon taken &
returned to the said County Court but never recorded at all by the
Negligence of former Clerks of said County, and Doubts may arise
whether the same can now be recorded after such Distance of Time
elapsed; for the Prevention of all such Doubts.

[Com- Be it enacted that the Commissioners aforesaid or the Major
mission- Part of them shall at the Request of any Person interested therein
ers to Cause Land carefully inspect and examine such Land Commissions & Depositions
Cause Land Com- thereon and if they shall appear to them fair & genuine & properly
missions, &c., executed upon a Certificate thereof given to the Clerk of the County
not recorded to be re- he is hereby authorized and required to record the same at the
corded, &c.] Expence of the Party interested as aforesaid, and the said Land
Commissions and Depositions thereon or an Exemplification thereof
under the Seal of said County shall be as good Evidence and have
the same Effect to all Purposes as if recorded at the next Court
after the Return of such Commissions: any Law or Usage to the
Contrary notwithstanding: Saving to all Persons who may choose
to prosecute the same, his her or their Right of Action on the several
Clerks Bonds as well to recover Damages he she or they may have
sustained as also the Expense he she or they may be put to in record-
ing such Deeds, Land Commissions & Depositions thereon.

Continu- And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that the
ance.] said Commissioners or the Major Part of them shall have full Power
for the Purposes herein mentioned from the first Day of December