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To the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> Charles Lord Baltimore Absolute Lord &  
Propy of Maryland

The humble Peticōn of Andrew Insloe

Most humbly sheweth unto yo<sup>r</sup> Lopp.

That Thomas Houton late of Dorchester County Deceased had Granted unto him by Letters Patent under the great Seale of this Province bearing date the Eighth of August. 1670. fifty acres of land called Houtons Lott lying on the East side of Chesapeake Bay in a Bay called Tarr Bay on the East side of the said Bay as appears upon Record, which said parcell of land yo<sup>r</sup> Peticōn<sup>r</sup> did for a Valuable Consideracōn purchase of the said Houton, who (for the better assuring & suremaking of the same to yo<sup>r</sup> Peticōn<sup>r</sup>) did under his hand & Seale Impower and appoint one John Brookes to prove the Deed of Conveyance made by the said Houton to yo<sup>r</sup> Peticōn<sup>r</sup> of the said land att the then next Dorchester County Court & did Seale & deliver to yo<sup>r</sup> Peticōn<sup>r</sup> a penall Bond of tenn Thousand pounds of tobacco for the performance of the Covenants in the said Deed contained which writings are hereunto annexed—Now so itt is May itt please yo<sup>r</sup> Lopp Itt so happened that Houton dyed before the said Brookes had proved the Deed After whose decease Brookes refused to make Oath of the Sealing & delivery thereof, so that the same is not as yett Entred upon Record, by reason whereof yo<sup>r</sup> Peticōn<sup>r</sup> is kept out of the possession of the p<sup>r</sup>misses, notwithstanding his equitable right thereunto Yo<sup>r</sup> Peticōn<sup>r</sup> doth humbly Implore yo<sup>r</sup> Lopps Commiseracōn of his now distressed Conditōn, all his houses & appurtenances being lately Consumed with fire, & yo<sup>r</sup> Peticōn<sup>r</sup> have-  
p. 125 ing not whenewith to support himselfe & ffamily Without yo<sup>r</sup> Lopps clemency in Granting him that which he hath so long since purchased & paid for.

The p<sup>r</sup>misses considered, yo<sup>r</sup> Peticōn<sup>r</sup> doth humbly begg of yo<sup>r</sup> Lopp that the Deed of Conveyance of the land aforesaid from Houton to yo<sup>r</sup> Peticōn<sup>r</sup> may by the wittnesses thereunto be proved either in the Provinciaall Court or Dorchester County Court where the land lyeth & that the same may be entred upon Record, & stand & be as firme Valid & Effectuall to all intents & purposes according to the true intent & meaning thereof, as if the same had been so entred within one Month next after the Alienacōn made

And yo<sup>r</sup> Peticōn<sup>r</sup> as in duty bound shall ever pray &c

Vnderneath the above Peticōn was written Viz<sup>t</sup>

Lett the Evidence to be given by Guy White be taken in Court, that the Peticōn<sup>r</sup> may be secured

Ch: Baltimore

July 21<sup>th</sup> 1676

Came John Doxey and desired his marke might be entred upon Record which is as followeth vizt Cropt and a hole in the left eare, cropt & aforebited in the right eare.