

the City of Annapolis the first day of September in the third year of our Dominion etc. Annoque Domini 1718

Th Bordley Vach Denton Reg^r in Canr

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY ss The Deposition of Thomas Addison Esq^r aged about thirty Seven years being Sworne upon the Holy evangelist

Deposeth That he was Surveyor of Prince George's County about the year 1696 and that he was Sent for by M^r Robert Brooke to execute a Warrant of Resurvey that was Issued out of the Provincial Court of this Province to Resurvey a Tract of land called Amptill Grange that they r[a]n the lines of that Tract and Essington, that the lines then took some of one Robert Andersons Improvements and Buildings into Amptill Grange that Some Small time after there was another Resurvey of the said lands; and that the Deponent came the night before the Resurvey was to be made to M^r Rob^t Tylers in ord^r to be near the place; that M^r Tyler as soon as he came there told the Deponent that Robert Anderson had been down in Calvert County and had got on [sic] Robert Hobbs who he Said was at the first Survey of Edlington [sic] and that Hobbs had been out in the Woods with himself and others and given them Such proof to the last tree of Edlington [sic] and the first of Amptill Grange that he believed was Sufficient to convince every one that M^r Brooke had been always in the Wrong as to the bounds of his land telling him the Deponent, Severall Circumstances of Said Hobbs remembrance of the grounds and place of the Trees standing which he the Deponent Very much Wondered at considering that it was So long then Since the land was first Surveyed on which M^r Tyler told him the Deponent if he had not been with them and See that they took care not to lead but follow the said Hobbs to the place he coud never have thought the place coud have been So fresh in his memory that this Deponent was after this Communication with Tyler the next day with the Jury Sherriff and Severall others on the resurvey of the said land that he then heard Hobbs give his evidence in Words to this purpose which was that he was [351] with M^r Charles Boteler the Surveyor when he first laid out Eslington that when they had run the Courses and distances thereof which brought them to this place Says he where we now are M^r Boteler Sat down to put up his Instruments and ordered me to go down to River and see how farr it was which I did and because I would not be pussed to find my way back I carried a hatchett and Marked Some trees as I went and when I came near the River, it was to a Bank where there was Some Ivy and out of one of the Bushes their grew a Dogwood which I leaned over or ag^t to See which way the River bore and before I went back I marked a Hiccory which Stood near the Dog wood and Ivy when the Deponent Hobbs had done delivering his Evidence in this manner he went down to the River and Shew'd So many of the Jury and others as would gooe with him amongst which the Deponent was one all these things that he had