

or any two or three of you all Such Evidences as Shall be to you named or produced by Either the Compl^t or Def^t and that you Examine them and every of them on their Corporall Oaths to be by you Administred on the holy Evangelist in presence of the Said Compl^t and Def^t (if they haveing timely Notice thereof think fitt to be present) touching their knowledge of any thing that may relate to the Cause af^d and that reduceing into Writeing their Severall Depositions you send the Same together with this our Comission Closed under your or any two or three of your hands and Seales with all Convenient Speed to us in our high Court of Chan^{ry} Wittness our Trusty and well beloved John Hart Esq^r Cap^t Generall and Governour in Chief of our Province of Maryland and Territories thereunto belonging etc. at the City of Annapolis the 22^d day of May in the third of our Dominion etc. Anno Dom 1718

John Beard Reg^r

MARYLAND ss. Charles absolute Lord and proppry of the provinces of Maryland and avalon Lord baron of Baltemore etc. To John Kirk John Lecompte John Beale and Bej^a Tasker Greeting know ye that we have appointed you or any two or three to be our Comissioners to Examine Evidences in a Certain Cause depending in our Court of Chancery between Benj^a Woodward and Ux^r Guardians of Ann and Mary Seward Complainers and Thomas Hicks Def^t We therefore require you or any two or three of you that at Such time and place as you or any two or three of you Shall Seem Convenient you Cause to Come before you or any two or three of you all Such Evidences as Shall be to you or any two or three of you named by Either the Compl^t or Def^t and that you Examine them and every of them on their Corporall Oaths to be by you administred on the holy Evangelist in presence of the Said Compl^t and Defendant (if they haveing timely Notice thereof think fitt to be present) touching their knowledge of anything that may relate to the Cause af^d and that reduceing into Writeing their Severall Depositions you Send the Same together with this our Comission under your or any two or three of your hands and Seales with all Convenient Speed to us in our High Court of Chancery Wittness our Trusty and well beloved John Hart Esq^r Cap^t Generall Gov^r in Chief of our Province of Maryland etc. att the City of Annapolis the 8th Day of July in the third of of [sic] our Dominion Annoque Dom 1718

Direct it Inclosed to the Reg^r

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Vach^l Denton Reg^r in Cha^{ry}

Evidences to be Examined by M^r John Beale and M^r Benj^a Tasker touching a Certain Cause Depending in his Lordships high Court of Chancery wherein Benj^a Woodward and Mary his Wife proachen namy [sic] ——— of Mary Seward and Ann Seward the Coheirs of W^m Seward of Dorchester County Deced who was the Son and heir of George [659] Seward