

of assembly In May last We have thought fitt to Dissent to the Act Intitled an Act for relief John Beale of Charles County Gen^t Richard Beale a Minor and Do hereby Declare the same Null Void and of No Effect Forasmuch as the Legislature of Great Brittain Never interferences to Dispose of Property wthout Consent of all parties Leaving Every Mans Right to be Ruled by the known Laws of the Land We find that the Lessor of the Plantiff and those und^r whom he Claims as afores^d Continued seized of the Land in Dispute from the [785] Years 1673 to the Year 1719 att wth time the Lessor of the Plantiff was Put out of Possession of the Lands in Dispute by virtue of the said Bill So passed as afs^d and the Lessor of the Plantiff hath remained out of possession Ever since 1719.

That Certain persons named John Cane and Garrett Sennot Claiming Lands Surveyed 11th Sep^r and 11th December 1663 and Patented in 1664 Surrendred their Patents Up to be Cancelled as Appears by the Certificate hereunto Annexed. We find that there is a place in Charles County near the Lands in Dispute that hath been Called Zachia Swamp Near which the Indians had a Fort Called Zachia Fort We find that the Stadt House wherein the Land Records were and Still are kept was burnt in 1704 and that a book Marked Lib: L of Records in the Years 56 and 57 was at that time Destroyed or Lost We find the following Patent bearing Date 5th Day of June 1676. Viz^t: Charles etc: To all persons etc: Whereas our late father Caecilius of noble memory Did by his Letters Patent Under the Great Seale of our said Province of Maryland Bearing Date the Seventh Day of Sep^r in the five and thirtieth Year of his Dominion over our said Province anno Dom: 1666 for the Considerations therein Mentioned Grant to Walter Beane late of Charles County in Our said Province of Maryland Deceased a parcell of Land Called Durham lying in Charles County afs^d in the Woods on the East Side of the Main Runn of Portobacco Creek for Seven hundred and fifty Acres Which said Grant Helena the relict of the said Walter Beane Deceased hath Surrendred Up into our Secretaries office of our said Province of Maryland to be vacated Upon Record and whereas Elianor Beane Daughter of the Said Walter Beane hath requested Us to Grant unto her Warrant to survey four hundred Acres of Land in Any Part of Our mannor of Panguah Wee Do hereby grant unto her the said Eleanor Beane all that Parcell of Land Called Durham lying in Charles County afs^d and in our Mannor of Panguayah on the West Side of Portobacco Fresh Biginning at a bastard black Oak Standing near an Indian Path which goes from Portobacco to a Conseck¹ running thence North Two Hundred and forty Perches to a bounded Spanish Oak on a Plaine thence East two Hundred Sixty Seven Perches to a bounded Spanish Oak thence South two hundred and forty perches to a bastard black Oak thence untill it Comes to the first bound Tree Containing and Now Laid out for four Hundred Acres More or less together With all Rights Profitts

¹ The original warrant record has "a Conseck," — a place name.