

Chance or Any other Land on which the Bounds of the said Land depend You first having taken your Oath on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God According to Act of Assembly in such Case made and provided and then Cause to Come before you or Any three or two of you all such Evidence as shall be to you or Any three or two of you Nominated by the said Complainant or Def: And that you or Any three or two of you examine them upon their Corporall Oaths to be by you or Any three or two of you Administered on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God in the presence of the Complainant or Def: if Any touching the truth or Remembrance of their Knowledge or Any thing that may Relate to the Cause of said Land Reducing the severall Depositions into Writing you said the same with this our Commission under your or Any three or two of your hands and Seals to our County Court of Somerset with all convenient Speed Witnesse Jane Hardy before us four Justices of our said Court the 20 Day of June Anno Domini 1760.

And now with a Consent of his Lordship had at Quincey Ann Town the third Tuesday of March Anno Domini 1761 the thousand seven hundred and sixty One before the Justices thereof George William Turpin and Joseph Bell Two of the Gentlemen Nominated in the within Commission and Retained the same Dated in Manner following with the severall Depositions thereto Annexed.

July 9th Day 1760 There was Joseph Bell Qualified to execute the within Commission Agreeable to an Act of Assembly of Maryland in such Case made and provided. Before me Whately

Aug: 12th 1760 There was Cap: William Turpin July Qualified to execute the within Commission Agreeable to Law. Before me Ep: Wilson

Somerset County for The Deposition of William Adams aged fifty three years or there about being sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God Deposeth as follows (Viz) that about fifteen years ago he heard John Coburn now Deceased who Claimed a part of tract of Land called Chesapeake Chance as his property say that a tract of White Oak was the first boundary of the said part of Land called Chesapeake Chance and this Deposition further saith that George Wilson and Sampson Whately was then present with him and Coburn at the tree the said White Oak stands about One hundred and ten Yards to the North West of the County Road and on the West Side of the foot path that Leads from Henry Cohens to William Wilson and a Little to the Westward of James hole Branch and this Deposition further saith that

Somerset County for The Deposition of George Wilson aged fifty Nine years or there about being sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God Deposeth as follows (Viz) that about fifteen years ago he was in Company with John Coburn Deceased and Sampson Whately and Samuel Marshall and that they came to a tract of White Oak which was divided in William Adams Deposition and John Coburn had his hand on the said White Oak and told him and the Rest of the Company it was the first boundary of a tract of Land called Chesapeake Chance which stands about One hundred and ten Yards to the Northward of the County Road or there about and on the West Side of the foot path that Leads from Henry Cohens to William Wilson and a Little to the Westward of James hole Branch and this Deposition further saith that

Somerset County for The Deposition of Thomas Cuthbert aged fifty nine years or there about being sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God Deposeth as follows (Viz) that about twenty five years ago Thomas Lindsey got John Lane to lay of the Land that he bought of his father Charles Cottingham Deceased and that they began at a tract of White Oak which appeared to be marked with sixteen marks which Green stands Twenty Yards or there about to the Southeastward of the End of the Ditch that Runs partly through the Lane between Thomas Lindsey and Henry Cohens this Deposition saith that he carried the Chance to lay of the said Land and that he went immediately to his father to advise where they began he answered at a tract of Green which stands next with Old Lindsey fence Between him and Coburn his father answered and said I believe you was Right enough and further this Deposition saith that

Somerset County for The Deposition of John Wilson aged sixty one years or there about being sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God Deposeth as follows that about twenty five years ago and Charles Cottingham showed him the tract of Green described in Thomas Cottingham's Deposition and this Deposition that the said Green divided the Land of John Coburn which Green stands about Twenty Yards to the Southeastward of the End of a Ditch that Runs partly through the Lane between Thomas Lindsey and Henry Cohens and this Deposition further saith that

Somerset County for The Deposition of William Adams aged fifty three years or there about being sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God Deposeth as follows (Viz) that about sixteen years ago he heard Thomas Cottingham son of John Cottingham say that he cut Down a Red Oak for a garden punchons which caused his father to be angry with him and to tell him it was a Corner tree of his Uncle Charles Cottingham's Land called Boston and this Deposition further saith that Thomas Cottingham showed him the stump of the tree and that he saw some Marks in the said stump

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