

The deposition of Richard Moore (sen: aged seventy years or thereabouts sworn saith that being in London and at the house of M^r. Thomas Weston from whence in the year 1620 he was from thence transported to New Plymouth in New England and about two years and a half after the said departure arrivall at Plymouth aforesaid that about mentioned Thomas Weston sent over a ship upon the 1st of November with passengers to settle in the Massachusetts Bay now called Braintree but soon after they departed the same by reason of Indians sickness and within a short space of time after that about said Weston personally came over from London to Plymouth in New England and made his abode there some time and traded from thence into Virginia and Maryland and at that time the said deponent knew that the said Thomas Weston had and was possessed of two plantations the one in York River in Virginia at a place called Curstake, the other in Maryland at West Marye by Georges Island and thenceforth were commonly known to be in the true occupation of these persons first mentioned viz: M^r. Wilkinson M^r. Dent M^r. J^r. and they all acknowledged the said Weston to be the true proprietor and lawful owner of said plantations and further that the said deponent knew Elizabeth Weston now Elizabeth Comant of Marblehead to be the reputed and only child of the said Thomas Weston

Sworn to me at S. B. red street London
27th Sep: 1684

Boston in New England

These are to certify all whom it doth or any ways may concern of Elizabeth Comant the said widow of John Comant late of Marblehead in New England aforesaid and the reputed daughter and only child of M^r. Thomas Weston of the City of London in the Kingdom of England from whence (according to the testimony hereunto annexed) appeared before me Simon Bradstreet Esq: Governour of the Massachusetts Colony of the Massachusetts Bay in New England on the day of the date of these presents in very good faith & owned the said sister of attorney herunto annexed to be her true and lawful daughter and to certify that William Hawthorne who hath subscribed his name to some of the testimonies hereunto annexed was on the day of the date thereof out of the Massachusetts of the aforesaid Colony and had power to administer oaths in this and other like cases & therefore full faith and credit is & ought to be given therunto In testimony whereof at the request of the above named Elizabeth Comant I have hereunto set my hand and caused the public seal of the said Colony of the Massachusetts Bay to be hereunto annexed this 27th day of September Anno Domini 1685

S. Bradstreet Governour

Memorandum that I the [aforesaid] John Comant by virtue of the power to me [before] granted and for the atting and prosecuting the intent of the said laws first nominated and appointed Thomas Burford Esq: Chief Justice of the Province of Maryland, John Carville Esq: Underwood Esq: two of the Justices of the said Province to plead manage and prosecute all matters & things relating to the same in order to the recovering the right of the said Elizabeth Comant to any lands therein & heriditaments in the Province of Maryland with my hand this 27th March 1685

Witness my hand this 27th March 1685
Tho: Crannin Clerk pro: Co:

John Comant

Recorded this 9th of April 1686 by Sam Heath