

Christopher Vernon's Depositions about a Tract of Land Called Gadshill

Her Majesty's High and Noble Court of Chancery

It is humbly Certified that in Obedience to her Majesty's Commandments Richard Jonastun, Josiah Longgood and Abraham Birkhead or any two of us Directed to Examine Witnesses in Perpetuam rei Memoriam of Concerning a Certain Cause in the said Court depending between John Hall Esq. Plaintiff and Christopher Vernon Defendants, We have caused to come before us Witnesses on behalf of the Defendant who being Sworne were Interrogated as followeth.

Thomas Frott of Run Arundell County Interrogated y^e 19th of June 1701

1st - " - " Did you see the Deed or Writing now shewed to you purporting a Conveyance of Marshes Seat from Thomas Knighton Jun^r. and Dorothy his wife to the Defendant Dated the 19th November: 1701 Signed Sealed and Delivered.

To which he saith he did and further saith not.

Interrogatory put to Samuel Guichard y^e 28th June 1701

1st - July - What Country are you off.

To which he saith he was borne in Genove and further saith not.

2^d - " - " What age were you of when you came into Maryland

To which he answered about Twelve years and further saith not.

3^d - " - " Whether do you know any bounded Tree or Lime Tree of a Tract of Land called Gadshill or ever saw any Tree bounded or linded for the said pretended Tract:

To which he answered no and further saith not.

4th - " - " How long have you been in Maryland

To which he answered Twenty Eight years and further saith not.

5th - " - " Who did you serve your time with, and can you remember when your Master Mr Thomas Knighton the Elder made his will and who was there there and at what place was it made and whether he ever made any other will.

To which he answered he served his time with Mr Thomas Knighton the Elder he made his will about Twenty Six years agoe and that God Holland Mr George Parker the Elder and Mr Hanslapp were at the Old house where his Master lived at the same time but he doth not know whether he ever made any other Will further saith not.