

Matthew Fravis's Dep<sup>ty</sup> about Taylors Folley

Dorchester County

August 4<sup>th</sup> 1712

By virtue of a Commission to us the Subscribers Directed bearing date the Twenty first day of June Anno Domini 1712 Impowering us to call before us all such Evidence as should be nominated and produced by Matthew Fravis touching the bounds of a certain Tract of Land called Taylors Folley and by virtue of this said Commission came before us James Pattison aged about fifty three years or thereabouts being Sworn on the holy Evangelist touching the Original bounds of the said Land called Taylors Folley who on his oath doth declare that about Six or eight and Twenty years agoe he the Depou<sup>t</sup> came to the house of John Taylor & asked for John Taylor and this Depou<sup>t</sup> was told he was in the woods and this Depou<sup>t</sup> went into the woods to the said John Taylor who was then the proper Owner of the said Land and then in possession of the same and when this Depou<sup>t</sup> came to the said John Taylor he was a making of a mark out of a pine Tree and this Depou<sup>t</sup> stopping upon the pine Tree & looking toward the Bay side which was about fifty yards distant or less looked toward the said Bay side a bounded Oak tree and this Depou<sup>t</sup> asked the said John Taylor whose bounded tree that was who directly answered it was one of the bounded Trees of Taylors Folley which the said Depou<sup>t</sup> appears to be the first tree and that it stood as now as this Depou<sup>t</sup> can tell in the place where there is now <sup>now</sup> a bounded Red Oak marked with twelve Notches and further this Depou<sup>t</sup> Sworn before us the day & year above written

Roger Woolford  
John Keele

At the same time came before us the Subscribers Com<sup>rs</sup> appointed by a Commission to us directed bearing date as above said William Rowley aged about Seventy odd years old and being on the holy Evangelist Sworn to testify the truth of his knowledge touching the

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