

the twelfth day of June 1725 and in the presence of the said Complainant (no deff appearing) on the aff' tract of Land came Eric Collins an Evidence Aged 37 years old or there abouts and on his corporal Oath to him administered as aff' Saith that about eight or nine years agoe he was at Capt William Bassett he the said following tole the said Bassett that Mr Whitmington, Finotley - Browly and the said deponent Surveyed the said tract called Ratcliff adventure but they did not know where the bounds of the said Land stood, says the said Capt Wm Bassett in answer - I sauey the bounds of the said Land stands on a hamwood at the bottom of the said deponents pasture but the said deponent knows not where the said hamwood nor bounder is and further saith not, the same day and at the same place came Finotley Browly an Evidence aged 35 years or there abouts and being Examined on his corporal Oath as aff' Saith that he knows nothing of the bounds of the said Land neither of his own Knowledge or otherwise and further saith not.

The same day on the said Land came John Copper an Evidence aged 26 years or there abouts and being Examined as aff' Saith that when Ebenezer Copper settled his bounds of a part of his fields that Capt William Bassett was then there standing at the said Settled bounds and said he wondered people did not take more care to Settle their bounds for says he they that have no bounders have no Land asking who owned that Land over there pointing over to one of the bounds of Land at the bottom of the aff' tract called Ratcliff adventure and the said Capt William Bassett said if he could remember anything about the bounds of the said tract called Ratcliff adventure it stood on such p<sup>t</sup> and further Saith not

the above deposition and Examination taken the day and date above said witness for me,

Ephraim Heatter, James Rownd, William Simson

W<sup>m</sup> Walton & Edward Copper of Somerset County for Charles absolute Lord and Proprietary of Commission and Depositions of the provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore

To Robert Martin, John Miller, Richard Hudson & Ephraim Heatter as of Somerset County Gent. Greeting Know by that we have appointed you or any three or two of you to be our Commissioners to examine Evidence on Behalf of a certaine William Walton and Edward Copper both of the County aforesaid in Relation to the Bounds of three Tracts of Land lying in the County aff' the one called Keigh Courtland, the other Wellback and the third called Tuckers Meadow - We therefore require you Examine the two of you that at a convenient time and place, as to you Examine three or two of you shall seeme convenient you meet on the aff' three Tracts