

March Court --- 1725
to Commence at the Expiration of her Indented Servitude &c. Likewise it is prayed the Court that they would adjudge the said Mary Peakes for Runaway time she having absented herself Nine days Out of her said Masters Service whereupon the said Mary Peakes is ordered to serve her said Master Seven days for One which amounts to Sixty three days, which Servitude to be complete and Ended at the Expiration of Servitude &c.

John Gunby Commissioner of Somerset sh. Charles absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Province of Maryland and a son said Baron of Baltimore &c. To Isaac Horsey Thomas Williams Jeffrey Long &c. all of Somerset

County Gent. Greeting, Know ye that we have appointed you or any three or two of you to be our Commissioners to examine Evidence on behalf of a certain John Gunby of the County of Lancaster in relation to the bounds of two tracts of Land lying in the County of Somerset called Kirk's Purchase and Middle Ridge We therefore require you or any three or two of you that at some time & place as to you or any three or two of you shall seem convenient you meet on the said Lands called Kirk's Purchase & Middle Ridge and there 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 Deft. if any) & that you examine them upon their several 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 Deft. if any) touching the truth or Remembrance of their Knowledge or any thing that may relate to the Case &c. that reducing the several Dispositions into Writing you send the same together with this our Commission under your or any three or two of your hands to us to our County Court of Somerset with all due speed Witness Samuel Hopkins Gent. Chief Justice of our said Court the 19th day of November in the 4th Year of our Dominion &c. Anno Domini 1725 — (Fordy)

On the back side of the foregoing Commission it was thus Endorsed viz: The Execution of the within Commission appears by a Schedule hereunto annexed

The Deposition of Anthony Bee aged Sixty eight years or thereabouts relating to the first Bounder of a tract of Land Surveyed for John Kirk Esq. of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland called Kirk's Purchase

The Deposition being sworn according to the Direction of an Act of Assembly made at the City of Annapolis the 23rd day of September 1723 declares that John Kirk did send for him the Deposition & some other of his family & desired them to see the Land called Kirk's Purchase run out &c. according to the said Kirk's bequest he came & that the first bounder was a pine stump the said Deposition further declares that he knew of same wth a growing tree & mark as a first bounder & saw it & said Land run out & to meet at or near it a pine stump & further saith not

The Deposition of Charles Cottingham aged fifty years or thereabouts relating to the above said tract of Land Surveyed for John Kirk Esq. called Kirk's Purchase The Deposition being sworn according to the above Direction declares that the above said Mr. J. D. Kirk & Mr. Anthony Bee went with him the Deposition to ascertain Pine Stump &c. &c. Mr. J. D. Kirk did then & there declare that the said pine Stump — (22)