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Had from his father & sold to Mr Francis Allen & said Depoant seeing  
said run out for Cornelius Morris sold him why would he trouble himself in saying  
his Land run to w Creek when it only run from the Branch & said Cornelius Morris  
said it he knew that but he would say so because he would have a priviledge in it  
Place & this Depoant further saith that at w Survey when James Atkinson  
and Walter Lane was att Law they Beginning at w same Signpost Mr Jos. Graybe  
ing called as an Evidence & sworn said that he sent for James Henderson & J<sup>r</sup> Ellis  
& they come & pointed in the Swamp & said that some of them told Signpost stand-  
ing just by where this Depoant saw this marked Signpost was w very corner  
tree of Mr Jos. Gray's said where he left off & w first corner tree of Cornelius  
Morris Land where he begins which he bought of John Townsend Sen<sup>r</sup> & John  
Townsend Jun<sup>r</sup> being present there Declared upon Oath he Minding his Father's  
Cattle his Mother coming out to him showed him the corner tree of w Land that  
he gave him which was w said Signpost tree & standing by w Bridge age and  
this Depoant further saith Not ~~Handy~~ ~~Geo: Full~~

The Deposition of Wescote Gray aged about thirty four years being  
sworn upon w Holy Evangelist of almighty God saith that his Father told him of one  
James Henderson & John Ellis was both of them at w taking up of w Land called  
Africa & w Depoant saith w the Jan<sup>r</sup> remember w John Ellis came to w House  
of his Father & his Father asked him if he could show w first Bounder of w  
Land called Africa & he went & showed him in w Edge of w Branch near  
the Plantation & said hereabouts is w tree & my Father Jos. Gray went &  
found the said tree within about forty yards being a marked Signpost being above  
w Bridge & w said J<sup>r</sup> Ellis told my Father w after they had marked w first  
Boulder they went over w said Branch on a Indian Bridge & said they marked  
no tree afterwards & further this Depoant saith Not ~~Handy~~ ~~Geo: Full~~

The above Deposition taken before us w Subscribers this 14<sup>th</sup> day  
of Jan<sup>y</sup> 1728 ~~Handy~~ ~~Geo: Full~~

The Deposition of Thomas Gray aged about forty years or thereabouts  
being sworn upon the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God before us the  
Subscribers on w 14<sup>th</sup> day of Jan<sup>y</sup> And: Dom: 1728 saith that at a marked  
Bald Signpost standing in a branch now called Mount Hope Branch above  
an Old Goosey Over is the Beginning tree of America as the Depoant hath  
been ~~and~~ performed by my Father Joseph Gray and this Depoant  
further saith Not ~~Handy~~ ~~Geo: Full~~