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of the County and Gent. in relation to the Bounds of two tracts of Land lying in the County and the one called Smiths Adventure, the Other Second Choice 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 tracts of Land called Smiths Adventure & Second Choice & there Cause to come before you or any three or two of you all such Witnesses as shall be to you or any three or two of you Nominated by the said Complainant & you examine them upon their Corporall Oaths to be by you or any three or two of you administered on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God in the presents of the Complainant & (except if any touching the truth or Remembrance of their Knowledge or anything it may relate to the Cause and, that Reducing & severall Depositions into Writing you send & same together with this our Commission under your or any three or two of your hands to us to our City Court of Soudwett with all convenient Speed With us & said. Hopkins Gent Chief Justice of our said Court the Nineteenth day of August in the tenth year of our Dominion &

The following Depositions to the foregoing Commission was thereunto annexed vizt:
Soudwett City: Depositions of Witnesses taken at & Plantation of Tho: Gillis at Wicocomoco Creek in Soudwett County the twenty ninth day of January Anno Dom: one thousand seven hundred & twenty five Sid by vertue of a Commission to us Directed out of his Lordships Court of Soudwett City Bearing Date the Nineteenth day of August anno Dom: one thousand seven hundred & twenty five for the Examining Evidence for the Determining the Bounds of two tracts of Land & One called Smiths Adventure the Other Second Choice &c

Thomas Brereton aged about forty two years be sworn saith that his father old Ju: Persons Informed him by a ballie near where M: Allex: Adams house now stands at a tree that was then standing, that that tree was the Bounder that divided W: Brereton & Peter Brasly & tree being blown down with the Wind was skew'd to & Commissioner & further saith not. Jany 29: 1725. Tho: Brereton -
At the root of the above tree there was a Cedar Stake fixt marked with four Notches on four sides

George Balie aged about Sixty three years be sworn saith that forty years past he always heard it reported that at the said balie of tree stood that was a Divisionall bounder between W: Brereton & Peter Brasly & further saith not. Geo: Balie -
Thomas Brereton saith on his Oath that the second Bounder of Smiths Adventure was an old field pine standing near the place where a Mill is built as he was Informed by old Ju: Persons Charles Mullin & his father & further saith not. Tho: Brereton
At which place is fixt a Cedar Stake Marked with sixteen Notches

William Alexander aged about fifty Six years on his Oath saith that Jonathan Raymond Informed him of above mentioned place was one of Brasly's Bounders. and further saith not. Will: Alexander -

Thomas Brereton aged about forty two years saith on his Oath that old John Persons Informed him that one of Peter Brasly's Bounders was a Stopping Oak (standing)