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apprehended belonged to said persons further saith not - William Brereton
The Commissioners saw a Cedar Stake sett where the evidences declared of live Oak
to stand Marked with 16 Notches about the Middle of the New Year Plantation
as to the Length but near the wood on the East side of the said Plantation -

Thomas Brereton aged about forty two years saith of a Cedar Post standing in
Woods near a swamp is sett at y^e root of a tree being a logging White Oak which
was always deemed the first Bounder of a piece of Land called Second Choice
as he has been Informed by old John Benson and Charles Mullin and further
saith not - Thomas Brereton

Isaac Noble aged about fifty years sworn saith that he heard old J^r. Benson
say the first Bounder of Second Choice was the blye tree he could find in
the Woods he thought no body would make use of it & found Raymond
had cutt it down further saith not - Isaac Noble

There is a stake of Cedar standing at the root of the said tree Marked with
Sixteen Notches

Janry 29th 1728 The Depositions for perpetuating y^e Bounds of the land
called Smiths adventure Second Choice were duly taken before
us the subscribers being there to Duly Qualified, as writt up our hands
the day & year afo^r Geo: Dashiell
Henry Ballard

Robert Ware } Somersett } Charles absolute Lord and Proprietary of the provinces of
Commissioner } Maryland & Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore & C^o Tho: Williams
Thomas Dixon Jeffrey Long and Peter Frazer all of Bourdett
City Gent^l greeting Know ye that we have appointed you or any
three or two of you to be our Commissioners to examine evidences on behalf
of a certain Robert Ware of the C^o afo^r in relation to y^e Bounds of a tract of
Land containing one hundred & fifty acres lying in the County afo^r called Dover Marsh
We therefore Require you or any three or two of you at some time & place as to you
or any three or two of you shall seem convenient you meet on the afo^r Land called
Dover Marsh (you first having taken your Oath on the Holy Evangelist of almighty
God according to act of assembly in such case made and provided) & there
cause to come before you or any three or two of you all such evidences as shall be to
you or any three or two of you nominated by the said Complainant (or Defendant) &
that 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 (or Defendant) touching the truth or remembrance of there know-
ledge or any thing that may relate to the Cause afo^r that reducing the severall
Depositions 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 C^o Court of Bourdett
(saith)