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Surveyor Run the Line of Mount Hope from the Sand Beach to the Stake aforesaid but did not find the first Bounder but Dr.iah. Bredale at that time said he knew where the Bounder was but would not tell for he said that if the Line was Run from the first Bounder he thought it wod take one or two off his house, and further sayeth not —

Jaw's Martin

James Rownd -

Capt. John Smith Somerset Esq; Charles absolute Lord and Proprietary of the provinces of Maryland and
Lord Baltimore - Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c To John Miller John Single, John Talle and John Hol-
land all of Somerset County Gentlemen 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
Smith of the County aforesaid in relation to the bounds of two tracts of Land
lying in the County aforesaid the one called Cords Lott and the other Cows -
Quarter we therefore require you or any three or two of you at some time
and place as to you or any three or two of you shall seem convenient you
meet on the aforesaid two tracts of Land called Cords Lott and Cows Quarter
(you first having taken your oaths on the holy Evangelist of Almighty
God according to law of Assembly in such case made and provided) 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 Complain-
ant or Deft: if any and that you or any three or two of you examine -
them upon their Oyer and Terminer 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 cause aforesaid -
and that reducing the several 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 County Court of Somerset with all convenient-
Speed witness Sam: Hopkins ^{Esq;} Chief Justice of our said Court the Ninth -
Day of October in the Seventeenth year of our Dominion & anno Domini
one thousand seven hundred and thirty one —
Now heretofore to wit the Sixteenth day of November one thousand Seven hun-
dred and thirty one came here into Court John Miller and John Holland -
two of the Gent: Nominated in the aforesaid Commission and makes Return
of the same Commission and Affidavits as followeth Ver: —