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assembly in such case made and provided and 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 Def: if any) and that you or any three or two of you examine
them upon their Corporall Oaths to be by you or any three or two of you administered on
the holy Evangelist of allmighty God in the presents of the Complainant (or Def: if any)
(touching the truth or Remembrance of their knowledg or anything that may relate to the cause
aforesaid and 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
us to our County Court of Somerset with all convenient Speed with Sam: Hopkins
Gent^r Chief Justice of our said Court the twenty second day of August in the
Seventeenth Year of our Dominion J: Ann: Dom One thousand Seven hundred and
thirty. On the Back side of the foregoing Commission it was thus Endorsed viz: -
Two of the within Commission viz: James Martin and James Rownd was
Qualified according to Law this 18th day of 7th 1730 before me Sa: Hopkins -

Now know at this day to wit the Twentieth day of March One thousand Seven hundred and thirty James Rownd and James Martin of Somerset County Gent. and two of the Commissioners above nominated and made
Return of the foregoing Commission, and the following affidavits to the same Commission annexed viz: -

In Obediance to a precept herunto annexed we James Martin and James Rownd having given due
notice we met the Twentieth day of October 1730 on that tract of Land of Edward Davis called Guden:
borough and in the presents of the Comp: J:as Defend: appearing came William
Simpson an Evidence aged about forty five years and being sworn on the Holy Evan-
gelist of Almighty God saith that about fifteen years agoon his father Walter
Evans told him that there was a marked white oak tree standing and now stand
at the head of Silver Street Dr can which said tree is standing to the Eastward
of a pond called Silver Street pond which said tree he was desired on William
would have death bed to show to the Surviving Heirs and according to the said Evans
Information this Depon: Searcht and found a tree so marked and so standing but
whether it be the first Bound: of Harmanson's Land he cant say and further
saith not -

The same day also came Andrew Smith an Evidence aged about fifty nine and being sworn
on the Holy Evangelist of allmighty God saith that in a Round Swamp about one hundred
and fifty yds from Hodges Evidence below mentioned toward W: Griffins plantation
that Christian Harmanson and old James Bralton about twenty four years agoon came
to his house and Christian Harmanson told him that would have was a going to Lay of
the Land from him that he had bought of him and desired this Depon: to assist him
in carrying the chain accordingly he went and they began in the Round Swamp above
mentioned fronting the Savanna Road and from thence they run some courses and
run down a Gully between two old fields and that in that Round Swamp there stood a
marked white oak which the depon: took to be the first Bound: of Harmanson's
Land and old Andrew Miller told this depon: that would have was very foolish and blame
worthy to brake his Land so in selling that piece of Land to the Eastward of the Gully
and would have on his death bed desired his Ex: and Adm: George Day and Walter
Evans to come to this Depon: and he would show them the said Bound: and Division
between him and the said Harmanson but never came and further the said Depon:
Declares that they run down w: aforesaid Gully and branch to the fork of the main
Branch and would have said you must go no further for over the branch belonged to
Mr: James Rownd which then was in the possession of Edgar and further the said
Deponiant saith that in that fork of the said Branch there then stood and now
stands a marked dead oak which is a bound: of Harmanson's Land and further
saith not -

also Rob: Hodge the same day came as an Evidence aged about fifty odd and being sworn
(on)