

followeth viz August the 10<sup>th</sup> 1736 Then came before us Cap<sup>t</sup> John Scott and Robert Geddes and Sworn upon the holy Evangelist of almighty God to execute the within Commission before me W<sup>m</sup> Lane  
Somerset County J<sup>st</sup> Whereas we having received a Commission to us directed by the Worshipfull Justices of Somerset County Court there by Impowering us to, Examine Witnesses in relation to the Bounders of a tract of Land called mount Hope and now in the possession of and on the behalf of a certain John Sheldon and in pursuance to the Executing the said Commission we do here by Certificate to the said Court that after our Qualification according to law we did proceed as follows viz

The deposition of Elizabeth Bucks born aged fifty seven year or thereabouts being sworn upon the holy Evangelist of almighty God saith that about twenty three or twenty four years ago she saw and viewed the boulder trees and that her husband told me the same time it was actually one of the bounders of the said Land called mount hope wherein we lived about eleven years or thereabouts and that she thinks this spott wherein she now stands is the very place whereon the said Bounder stood which is about eleven paces distant from a large white oak which is now Slip<sup>d</sup> and bearing south from the said spott and further this deponent saith not  
Taken before us this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August 1736  
J<sup>st</sup> Scott  
Eli: Bucks born

Rob<sup>t</sup> Geddes } The above deponent also saith that a certain large poplar standing in the  
Dogs of mount Hope branch that her husband told her it was a boulder tree of ~~the~~ <sup>a</sup> tract of Land called as above said and the same time she helds her hand upon the said tree being on the north side of the said branch and below mount hope bridge this deponent further saith not  
before us the date above  
Eli: <sup>mark</sup> Bucks born

J<sup>st</sup> Scott } The deposition of Edmond Dickerson sent aged seventy eight years  
Rob<sup>t</sup> Geddes } or thereabouts being sworn upon the holy Evangelist of almighty God saith  
he was at work with Benj: Bucks born on a fork of mount Hope Branch near mount hope bridge and that he standing near the said fork in our view did point with his hand near to the place where Elizabeth Bucks born did lay her hand on a poplar Tree as is before by her deposed to be one of the bounders trees of the a<sup>fo</sup> Land and he this deponent further saith that the above Bucks born at the <sup>same</sup> time Told him this deponent that there stands my corner tree it is a poplar tree and further saith not  
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J<sup>st</sup> Scott  
Edm<sup>d</sup> Dickerson sent

Rob<sup>t</sup> Geddes }  
John Handy } Somerset J<sup>st</sup> Charles absolute Lord and proprietary of the provinces of  
Commissioner } Maryland and a valed Lord Baron of Baltimore &c To Levin Gale Edward  
Chambers Thomas Gillis and Mathias Gale all of Somerset County Gent<sup>l</sup> greeting know  
ye that wee have appointed you or any three or two of you to be our Commissioners to Examine  
Evidences on behalf of a certain John Handy of the County a<sup>fo</sup> in relation to the bounds of a tract  
of Land called Jott containing two hundred acres lying on the north side Wickhamoco River  
(near)