

Within twelve moneths from that day to be computed and Reckoned and the same
 building to proceede and finish within twelve moneths after the beginning or laying the
 foundation as aforesaid for the publick good of the Province itt shall be Lawfull to and
 for his said Lordship his heires or Successors or in his or their absences for his or their
 Lieutenant or Chief Governour here for the tyme being from time to time to grant
 any such tenm Acres of land fitt to build a water mill upon as aforesaid together
 with free Egress and Regresse to the said water mill either by land through any maner
 land next adjacent or else by water together with liberty to fell any Timber for
 building the said water mill other then board Timber fitt to splitt or cleave into
 clap boards for any tyme or termes not exceeding Eighty yeares then next to come
 under the yearly Rent of the land then by the Oathes of twelve men by vertue
 of the writt aforesaid Returned to be payd to the owner of the land so found and
 Returned as aforesaid which said grant from his said Lordship his heires and Successors
 or from his Lieutenant and Chief Governour here as aforesaid shall be good and
 awaylable in law to the grantee as aforesaid for any termes of yeares not exceeding
 Eighty yeares as aforesaid against all persons whatsoever any law Customs or usages here
 tofore had made or used within this Province to the contrary hereof notwithstanding
 Provided always that before any person or persons whatsoever shall have such
 grant to build a water mill as aforesaid they shall enter into a bond to the Lord
 Proprietary with two sufficient Sureties in the summe of fifty thousand pounds
 of Tobacco with conditions to begin to build the said water mill within twelve
 moneths then next to come after such bond given and the same building to
 proceede (implead and finish within twelve moneths after such beginning

And for the great advantage that is already found to the province in generall by
 the mills already built some of which doe stand upon lands whereof the title is
 doubtfull for want of due forme of the Conveyances or the last wills and Testaments
 by which the lands have been conveyed or devised to the builders of such mills Bee
 itt further enacted by the Authority advice and Consent aforesaid that all and every
 such person or persons who have built mills shall or may have such writt or writts
 as aforesaid to Enquire of the true yearly value of the land whereon such mill doth
 stand and of the same on each side the River as aforesaid and upon Returns of
 such writt as aforesaid in forme aforesaid shall have a grant from his Lordship
 or his heires or his or their Lieutenant here as aforesaid for any termes not exceeding
 Eighty yeares and under the yearly Rent Returned as aforesaid to be paid to the
 Right owner of the land as aforesaid any law usages or Customs within this Province
 had made or used to the contrary hereof Notwithstanding

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