

mentioned according to Conditions of plantation, now in force within this province, or otherwise, as to his Lordship shall seem most. The same, and every part thereof, is hereby confirmed to the petitioner, and shall, and may be granted by Patent under the great Seal of this Province, to the petitioner, his heirs and assigns for ever, under the Rents and Services in the said Conditions set forth.

This order to stand in Barr of any other persons (having less Equitable Right therunto) privately suing to his Lordship for the same, and that his Lordship may not be surpris'd therein, but if any such thing should happen, the same to be in its self void.

Maryland

To the right Honble the Lord Proprietary and his Honble Councils

Ephtaim Herman's Petition

The Humble petition of Ephtaim Herman of the Town of Newcastle on Delaware River

Most Humbly Sheweth

That your Lordships late Father Cecilus Esq of Noble Memory of his abundant Goodness and favour, to your petitioners Father Augustine Herman for the good Services by him done to his Lordship did especially order and appoint to be laid out for him the said Augustine Herman a Tract of Land lying on Delaware River, between Opopumunin and Black Bird Creek, bounded on the East with Delaware Bay and River, on the North with the head Branches of Opopumunin Creek on the South with the head Branches of Blackbird Creek to be Erected into a Manour and called by the name of Saint Austins Manour, which was by your Lordships speciall Warrant of the fifth day of Aprill Anno 1671. further Confirmed by ordering that the same should be laid out to none other but to the said Augustine Herman positively as may appear.

Notwithstanding which the same is all or great part thereof taken up Seated and inhabited by others under his Royall Highness's Government.

Your petitioners (to whom the said Land is assigned by the said Augustine Herman his father) no ways willing or desirous to disturb or molest any person or persons that have taken up Seated or inhabited the same, as in their peaceable and quiet Possession thereof, but with all reverence of and in humble manner acknowledging your Lordships right and Dominion therunto, and other the parts thereto adjacent, and being most ready and willing in all Dutifull Obediences to Submitte himself to the same, and be received into your Lordships most gracious protection and Government most Humbly Offers -