

99 And that no part or parcel thereof is paid other than what is  
noted in the said oath shall be received as evidence to prove the fact  
in any Court of this province provided that any plaintiff or defendant  
in any action against whom such oath is given for evidence shall be  
his liberty to have & shutt oath by giving evidence any other than  
himself against it to invalidate the same and the Court or jury  
that tryes the Cause shall Judge by that which appears to them to  
be the best and fairest evidence.

September 29<sup>th</sup> 1704  
Read and assented to by  
the house of Delegates and  
assented to by  
Wayland

September 29<sup>th</sup> 1704.  
Read and assented to by Her Majesty's  
hon<sup>ble</sup> Council. W. Braden Clerk.

Maryland October 3<sup>rd</sup> 1704  
On behalf of her Ma<sup>ty</sup> & he Duke this be a Law.

Yo Seymour.

*[Large decorative flourish]*

All Act for the confirming Titles of Land given to the  
use of the Churches and several Chappels within this province Impow-  
ering the Commissioners of the respective Counties and the Vestrys of the  
respective parishes to take up certain parcels of Land for the use of the  
same.

Whereas several pious and well disposed persons have given and granted to  
the respective parishes whereto they do belong certain parcels of <sup>ground</sup> Land for the  
and benefit of a Church and Churchyard which said Land through the neglect of  
the Vestrys who by an Act of Assembly of this province made at a sessions of ju-  
dicially held at the port of Annapolis the twentieth day of July Anno Domini  
thousand six hundred ninety and six Intituled An Act for the better regu-  
lation and establishment of the protestant Religion were explicated and signed  
by the names of the principall Vestrymen and the rest of his churches Vestrymen.