12) Acowed the Eighteenth day of May one thousand Seven hundred and forty —
Recog. forty by me the Within named Margaret Higginson of & from the Within —
named Henry Ridgley the Sum of thirty nine pounds Nineteen Shillings Sterling
money of Great Britain in full for the consideration money within mentioned
to be by him paid to me — 39:19:0

Marg^t Higginson

Witnes Edward Wills
James Esten

Nov^r 15^th 1744 Then came Capt^n Edward Wills one of the Subscribing Evidences
to the within deed before me the Subscriber one of his Lordships Justices of the
Provincial Court of Maryland and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty
god that he Saw the within named Margaret Higginson Sign Seal & deliver
the within deed as her Act and deed for the Several uses intents and Purposes
therein mentioned

John Darnall

Nov^r 15^th 1744 Then came the within mentioned John Galloway before me one
of his Lordships Justices of the Provincial Court and Acknowledged the within
deed the Land and premisses therein mentioned to be the right & Estate of
the within named Henry Ridgley according to the direction of an Act of
Assembly in those Cases made & provided

John Darnall

Received Nov^r 21^st 1744 of Col^o Henry Ridgley twelve Shillings Sterling for his
Lordships use (it being the Alienation fine on the within mentioned three
hundred Acres of Land) by Virtue of a Commission from Benj^a Tasker Esq^r his
said Lordships Agent and receiver Genoral

Rich^d Dorsey

16. Recorded the 22^d Nov^r 1744

Land) This Indenture made the Eighteenth day of May and in the year of
our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty four between Margaret Higginson
of the City of London Widow of the one Part and Philip Hammond of the County of Ann^l
in the Province of Maryland Gentleman of the other Part Whereas John Taillor
late of the said City of London Merchant being Seized and Possessed of two Several
Tracts of Land Called Delewaare Bottom and Belts Chance formerly lying in
Baltimore & #c but now in the said Ann^l County obtained a Special Warrant to
resurvey the said two tracts into one to regulate any errors in the bounds or
Contents thereof and for adding contiguous Vacancies whether Cultivated or
uncultivated and including Surpluses By Virtue whereof the said two Tracts
of Land were resurveyed according to their Antient Meets & Bounds & a Certifica-
of such resurvey returned whereby it appeared that there was no Surplus Land
contained therein but that there was the Quantity of two thousand Nine hundred
and Seven Acres of Vacant Land added which with the Original Quantities of

(three)

13) Three hundred and two hundred and thirty three Acres in the said two Several Tracts
Contained made in the whole the Quantity of three thousand four hundred and forty Acres
and for which said Quantity of three thousand four hundred & forty Acres the said
John Taillor obtained a grant dated the twentieth day of December Seventeen hundred
& twenty Seven from the Lord Proprietary of Maryland & called the same whole
tract of three thousand four hundred and forty Acres in the said Grant by the Name
of Wood ford as by the same grant may more at large Appear And Whereas
the said John Taillor was in his life time Seized & Possessed of an Estate in Fee Simple
of and in two hundred Acres of Land being part of a Tract of Land called Jacks peacock
lying formerly in Baltimore County but now in the said Ann County & Purchased
by the said John Taillor from Thomas Jack & Elizabeth his Wife by a deed of
Bargain and Sale bearing date the third day of Feb^y Seventeen hundred & twenty
four as by the same deed may more at large Appear And Whereas the said John
is since dead but before his death made and executed his Testament & last Will and
by the same Will devised all his Real Estate in Maryland aforesaid to the said
Margaret Higginson her Executors adm^rs and Assigns for ever and also all the
Residue of his Real Estate of what Kind soever to the said Margaret Higginson
and which said Margaret Higginson is also Heir at Law to the said John Taillor
And Whereas the said Margaret Higginson hath by another deed of Bargain
and Sale Sold or otherwise agreed to Sell to the said Philip Hammond his Heirs
and Assigns the said two tracts of Land called Delewaare Bottom and Belts
Chance included in the aforesaid Patent together with the aforementioned two
thousand nine hundred & Seven Acres under the name of Wood ford as aforesaid NOW
This Indenture Witnesseth that the said Margaret Higginson for and in
consideration of three hundred & Seventy pounds Sterling to her the said Margaret
Higginson at & before the Sealing and Delivery of these Presents by the said —
Philip Hammond paid or Secured to be paid Hath granted bargained Sold aliened
released and confirmed and by these presents doth grant bargain Sell alien
release and confirm unto the said Philip Hammond his Heirs & Assigns all that
Parcel and tract of Land containing two thousand nine Hundred and Seven Acres —
being part of the said Tract of Land called Wood ford as aforesaid and also all
part of the tract of Land called Jacks Peacock being two hundred Acres conveyed
by the said Thomas Jacks and Elizabeth his Wife to the said John Taillor afor-
To have and to Hold the said two thousand Nine hundred and Seven Acres
of Land part of the said Tract of Land called Wood ford as aforesaid and also the
said two hundred Acres part of Jacks peacock with all Houses out Houses Improvements
and Appurtenances to the said Several Parcels of Land belonging to the said Philip
Hammond his Heirs and Assigns for ever and the said Margaret Higginson
doth hereby for herself her Heirs Executors adm^rs & Assigns covenant promise

(Grant)