This Indenture made the fifteenth day of December In the Year of Our Lord God One thousand seven hundred and forty four Between John Griffith of the City of Annapolis in Anne Arundel County Merchitoner and Anne his Wife of the one part and Doctor George Stuart of the City aforesaid of the other part — Witnesseth that the said John Griffith and Ann his Wife for and in Consideration of the Yearly Rents and Covenants hereby Reserved and for other good Causes and Considerations them moving have demised set and to farm let and by these Presents do demise set and to farm let unto the said George Stuart his Heirs and Assigns all that Tract or Parcel of Land called Aberdeen Lying in the County aforesaid on the North side of South River Beginning at or near the Place where the Original Bounded Red Oak stood, there being now placed a Bounded Cedar Post viz on the Point of the Mouth of a Creek called Oakley Creek, and running thence Bounding on South River and on a Creek called Beards Creek with the several Meanders of both of them, the Eleven Courses following viz West by North twenty Perches, thence North fifty six degrees, West thirty Perches, thence North two degrees and a half West twenty Perches, thence North twelve degrees West thirty four Perches thence North four degrees and a half West twenty eight Perches, thence North thirty four Degrees and a half East thirty four Perches thence North twenty three degrees and a half — West twenty four Perches, thence North nine degrees West twenty two Perches, thence North fifty seven degrees East Ten Perches thence North Eighty two degrees and a half East sixteen Perches, thence North twenty four Degrees East eighteen Perches to a Bounded Maple bounds by the Commissioners in the Room of a Bounded Red Oak expressed by the Originall Certificate to stand at the head of the said Beards Branch, thence running across the Neck East one hundred and ninety six Perches to a bounded White Oak standing by the side of a Branch of Oakley Creek aforesaid thence to and with the said Branch and Creek bounding on the several Meanders thereof the fifteen Courses following viz South six degrees and a half East twenty four Perches, thence South fifty seven degrees and a half West twelve Perches, thence South seventy nine degrees West ten Perches, thence South fifty three Degrees West twenty Perches, thence South ten Degrees West eighteen Perches, thence North eighty one Degrees West twenty four Perches, thence South forty Degrees West twenty Perches, thence North seventy Degrees West twenty two Perches, thence North thirty five Degrees West twenty Perches, thence North forty three degrees West twenty Perches, thence South one degree West twelve Perches thence South forty four Degrees West eighteen Perches, thence South one degree West sixteen Perches, thence South fifty five Degrees West seventy Perches, thence South five Degrees West thirty five Perches, thence by a straight Line to the first Bounded Containing and laid out for One hundred and Ten Acres of Land more or less To have and to hold the said Tract or Parcell of Land and Premises unto the said George Stuart his Heirs Ex^d Adm^rs & Assigns from the first day of January next ensuing the

date hereof for and during and unto the full end and term of twenty one Years from thence next ensuing and fully to be Compleat and Ended Yielding and Paying therefore unto the said John Griffith and Ann his Wife their Heirs Ex^d & Adm^rs during the said term the yearly Rent of Six Pounds Current Money at or upon the first day of January in every Year, And the said John Griffith and Ann his Wife doth for themselves their Heirs Ex^d & Adm^rs Covenant and Grant to & with the said George Stuart his Heirs Ex^d Adm^rs & Assigns by these Presents that he the said George Stuart his Heirs Ex^d Adm^rs & Assigns shall have free Liberty to cut down and fell any Timber on the said Land for his own use, And the said George Stuart doth for himself his Heirs Ex^d Adm^rs & Assigns Covenant and Grant to and with the said John Griffith & Ann his Wife their Heirs Ex^d and Adm^rs that he or they will not Commit any Waste or fell any Wood from of the said Land and that he or they will Yearly pay or Cause to be paid unto the said John Griffith and Ann his Wife their Heirs Ex^d & Adm^rs the said sum of six Pounds Current Money at the day & time herein before mentioned And the said John Griffith and Ann his Wife do for themselves their Heirs Ex^d & Adm^rs Covenant & Grant to & with the said George Stuart his Heirs Ex^d Adm^rs & Assigns — That he the said George Stuart his Heirs Ex^d Adm^rs * * * * shall have hold possess & Enjoy the abovementioned Premises during the term aforesaid without any Molestation or Interruption of by or from them the said John Griffith and Ann his Wife or their Heirs Ex^d Adm^rs or any * * * * * * * Person Claiming by from or under them or any of them In Witness whereof the Parties to these Presents have hereunto set their hands and Seals the day & Year first abovewritten

Sealed and Delivered — John Griffith (Seal)
In Presence of — Anne Griffith (Seal)
B Young — George Stuart (Seal)
Peter Buchanan

On the Back of the aforegoing Lease was thus endorsed vizt

December 15. 1744

Then came the within named John Griffith and Ann his Wife before me the subscriber one of his Lordships Justices of the Provincial Court and acknowledged the within Instrument to be their Act and Deed for the Use Intents and Purposes therein mentioned according to the Directions of the Act of Assembly in that Case made and Provided

Taken and acknowledged before
B. Young

Recorded Decr 20. 1744

This Indenture made the twenty sixth day of June in the Year of Our Lord seventeen hundred and forty four Between John Hunter of London Mariner now being at Annapolis in Maryland Attorney in fact for Thomas Harper of the Parish of Saint Catherine Cree Church London Spinster and Cecilia his Wife one of the Sisters and Coheirs of John Andrews late of Anne Arundel County deceased Eleanor Horton of the said Parish Widow and Sarah Culton of the Parish of Saint James Westminster in the