acknowledged the within Deed as his Act and Deed Acknowledged before me this seventh day of October 1754

Jno Brice

Be it Remembred that on the seventh Day of October in the Year of our Lord seventeen hundred fifty and four before me the Subscriber one of his Lordships Provincial Justices Personally appeared the within named Benjamin Beall and William Webb the subscribing Witnesses to the within Instrument of Writing and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they saw the within named Jacob Giles Sign Seal and as his Act and Deed deliver the same to and for the uses and purposes therein mentioned

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Sworn to before Geo: Steuart

Recorded October 7th 1754

6 Ex.

To all to whom these Presents shall come James Benson of Tallbott County Gentleman Sends Greeting Know ye that he the said James Benson for and in Consideration of the Sum of twenty two pounds ten Shillings Curt. Money to him in hand paid by Philip Hammond of Ann Ar. County Mercht. the Receipt whereof he doth hereby Acknowledge Hath Given Granted Remised Released and forever Quit Claimed And by these Presents for himself and his Heirs doth fully clearly and absolutely give grant Remise Release and for ever Quit Claim unto him the said Philip Hammond in his full and peaceable Possession and Seisin now being and to his heirs and Assigns for ever all such Right Estate Title Interest Claim and Demand whatsoever which he the said James Benson had or ought to have of in or to a Certain Tract or Parcel of Land called Howards Hills lying in Ann Arl. County afsd. about three Miles from the Head of Severn River being the Land whereon a Certain Edmd. Benson and Mrs. Hannah Benson lately Dwelt And of in and to any part or parcel thereof by any ways or means whatsoever and of in and to all and Singular the Premises and Appurtenances thereunto belonging To have and to hold the said Tract or Parcel of Land together with all and Singular the Premises and Appurtenances thereunto belonging unto him the said Philip Hammond his Heirs and Assigns for ever to the only proper use and Behoof of him the said Philip Hammond his Heirs and Assigns for ever So that neither he the said James Benson nor his Heirs nor any other person or Persons for him or them or in his or their Names or in the Name Right or Stead of any of them Shall or will by any way or means whatsoever hereafter have Claim Challenge or demand any Estate Right Title or Interest of in or to the Premises or any part or parcel thereof But from all and every Action Right Estate Title Interest or Demand of in or to the said Land Howards Hills and Every part thereof with the Premises and Appurtenances unto the same belonging they and every of them shall be utterly Excluded and debarred for ever by these Presents And also the said James Benson and his Heirs the said Tract of Land called Howards Hills with the premises and Appurtenances thereunto belonging to the said Philip Hammond his Heirs and Assigns to his and their own proper use and Uses in manner and form afsd. against their Heirs and Assigns & every of them shall and will Warrant and for ever hereafter defend by these Presents In Witness whereof he the Party first above mentioned hath hereunto Set his hand and Affixed his Seal this 22d Day of April Anno Domi. 1754

Signed Sealed and Delivered
in the Presence of Us

Elizabeth McLeod

Ann McLeod

Jam. Benson Seal

On the back of the foregoing Deed was thus Endorsed Vizt.

Apl. 23d 1754 Received of Philip Hammond the Sum of twenty two pounds ten Shillings Curt. Money being the Consideration within mentioned

Jam. Benson

Test Elizabeth McLeod Ann McLeod

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Apl. 23d 1754 Then Mr. James Benson Acknowledged the within Instrument as his Act and Deed and the Land and Premises therein Contained to be the Right and Estate of the within Named Philip Hammond his Heirs and Assigns for ever according to the true Intent and meaning of the sd. Deed and the Act of Assembly in Such Cases made and Provided before Us the Subscribers two of his Lordships Justices of Ann Arundell County Court the Day and Year above Written

Jno. Bullen

Th. Jennings

Received of Mr. Philip Hammond five Pence Sterling for his Lordships Use, it being the Alienation fine on the within mentioned Land (Supposing the same to Contain only Twenty Acres) by Virtue of a Commission from Edward Lloyd Esqr. his said Lordships Agent and Receiver General

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Recorded October 11th 1754

Richd. Dorsey

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6 Ex.

This Indenture made this Eighteenth Day of May in the year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred fifty and four Between Robt. Ridgely of Baltimore County Planter of the One part and Philip Hammond of Ann Arl. County Mercht. of the Other part Witnesseth that the said Robt. for an Consideration of the Sum of Sixteen pounds two Shillings and one Penny Sterling Money and Eight Pounds Currency to him in hand already paid the Receipt whereof he doth hereby Acknowledge hath given granted Bargained & Sold and by these presents Doth Give Grant Bargain and Sell unto him the said Philip Hammond his Heirs and Assigns for ever To say all that Tract of Land Situate lying and being on the Sea side near the South Cape of Dellaware Bay near a Parcel of Land formerly laid out for John Collins Granted unto a certain Robert Ridgely Grandfather to the afsd. Robert called Friends Choice bounded as followeth Vizt. Beginning at a marked white Oak standing upon a Point of high Land in an Indian field by a Marsh lying by the Sea beach thence with a line Drawn North by ‡ said Marsh for breadth two hundred and forty perches to a Marked Oak and from thence with a line Drawn West for length into the Woods five hundred thirty three perches and one third perch to a marked black Walnut thence with a line Drawn South two hundred and forty Perches to a Marked Oak and from thence with a Right line Drawn to the first Bounder Containing Eight hundred Acres more or less together with all and Singular the Premises and Appurtenances thereunto belonging To have and to hold the said Land and all and Singular the Premises and Appurtenances to the same belonging unto him the said Philip Hammond his Heirs and Assigns for Ever to his and their sole proper use and Behoof for ever And it is Covenanted Granted and Agreed by and between the said Parties that he the said Robert Ridgley and his Heirs the afsd. Land and Premises unto him the said Philip Hammond his Heirs and Assigns from and against him the said Robert and his Heirs and from and against all manner of Persons whatsoever that shall or may lay any Claim thereto by from or under him or them or any of them shall and will Warrant and for ever hereafter Defend by these Presents And also that he the said Robert and his Heirs at or upon the request of him the said Philip Hammond his Heirs or Assigns shall and will make do or suffer to be done all other reasonable Act or thing or things for the better Surety and sure making of the said Land and premises unto him the said Philip Hammond his Heirs and Assigns for ever as by him or them or any of them shall be Devised Advised or required In Witness whereof he the Partie first above Mentioned hath hereunto set his hand and Affixed his Seal the Day and Year first above Written

Signed Sealed and Delivered
in the Presence of Us

R. Ridgely Seal

Walter Dallas

Ann McLeod

On the back of the foregoing Deed was thus Endorsed Vizt.

May 20th 1754 Received of Philip Hammond the Sum of Sixteen pounds two Shillings and one Penny Sterling Money and Eight Pounds Currency being the Consideration within mentioned £16:2:1 Stg. .. £8 Curry

Test Walter Dallas Ann McLeod

R. Ridgely

May 20th 1754 Then Robert Ridgley Acknowledged the within Instrument as his Act and Deed and the Land and Premises therein Contained to be the Right and Estate of the within Named Philip Hammond his Heirs and Assigns for ever according to the true intent and meaning of the said Deed and according to Act of Assembly in such Case made and Provided before me the Subscriber one of his Lordships Justices of the Provincial Court

Geo: Steuart

Received of Mr. Philip Hammond Sixteen Shillings Sterling for his Lordships use it (being the Alienation fine on the within mentioned Eight hundred Acres of Land) by Virtue of a Commission from Edward Lloyd Esqr. his said Lordships Agent and Receiver General

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Recorded October 11th 1754

Richd. Dorsey

Ex. paid

Ann Arundel County ss. These are to Certify whom it may Concern that I Charles Ridgely of the County afsd. Planter for and Consideration of Seventeen pounds Eighteen Shillings Curnt. Money to me in hand paid by John Brown Son of Joshua of Baltimore County Planter the Receipt whereof I hereby Acknowledge and Discharge him the said John Brown

(his)