being sworn on the holy Evangelist of almighty God deposeth and saith that about thirty six years ago John Chamberlin told him this Deponant that Mr. Thomas Gittings and Richard Snowden who sold Thompsons Choice to Mr. Thomas Gittings that this land seen by this deponant sketched and that him the said John Chamberlin saw the same seen by the said Gittings and Snowden and that he this Deponant saith that afterwards he saw Mr. William Smith surveyor of Baltimore county run the same course and that it went exactly the same course as Mr. John Chamberlin had before told him, this deponant saith some time after Mr. Thomas Gittings told him the place now shewn the Sheriff and Surveyor was a corner tree of his land called Thompsons Choice, – being asked by the Plantiff was this Thomas Gittings who shewed you the place as a corner of his land, Thomas Gittings the elder who purchased part of Thompsons Choice of Richard Snowden or his son Thomas who afterwards came into possession of the said land this deponant saith that it was Thomas Gittings the son of the elder. – Being asked as above, have you not been informed by the said John Chamberlin that when Richard Snowden laid of the track of land called Thompsons Choice at the time that he sold the same to Thomas Gittings the elder that he run a line of Seels fancy and that he ended the same in a small field then cleared and told the said Thomas Gittings that that was the beginning of his the said Thomas Gittings land, this Deponant saith that when Mr. Snowden sold Thompsons Choice to Mr. Thomas Gittings the run a line of Seels fancy and when the line stopt Mr. Snowden told Mr. Gittings there begun Thompsons Choice and they heaped up a pile of stones which was in an old field, – and further this deponant saith not. – Taken and sworn to on the Survey this 6th May 1799. –

for the Def. Thomas Lucas.

James Gittings Lessee
against
Aquila Hall

The Deposition of Micajah Greenfield forty seven years old being sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God deposeth and saith that his father was a hog hunting one day near this place and struck this deponant on the hat with his cane and told him that this was the begining of Thompsons Choice called the pile of stones but now says he they begin at a hickory called the second tree of Seels fancy this deponant saith that it has been about four or five and thirty years since he also saith that Henry Goodwin

lived near this place at that time and further this deponant saith not.

Taken and sworn to on the survey this 11th april 1799. Micajah Greenfield

whereupon on the parties aforesaid by their attornies aforesaid pray further leave of the court here to amend their platts and certificates returned to the court here in this cause, and to add thereto if necessary by the second tuesday of October next, and to them it is granted, and the same are delivered to the Sheriff and Surveyor of the county aforesaid for that purpose; – and for trying the issue aforesaid between the parties aforesaid within joined to be tried by the County; Therefore let a Jury thereupon appear before the Court here on the second tuesday of October next by whom and so forth, and whom either and so forth, to recognize and so forth, because as well and so forth, the same day is given to the parties aforesaid then and there and so forth. – At which said second tuesday of October being the eighth day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine comes again into the General court here as well the aforesaid Henry Goodwin Lessee of the aforesaid James Gittings by his attornies aforesaid, as the said Aquila Hall by his attornies aforesaid, and the said Sheriff and Surveyor of the county aforesaid to whom the said platts and certificates were delivered to be amended, return the same to the Court here as amended with the following depositions to wit. –

James Gittings Lessee
against
Aquila Hall

The deposition of James Gittings of Thomas aged about forty five years being first sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God deposeth and sayeth that there was and old field laying south and south west of the fence of Mr. Tolley as Ford and Chamberlin has shown to, – being asked by the Plantiff did not the old field you speak of be uninclosed until Mr. Bosley move his fence to the place it now stands deviding Mr. Hall and Thomas Gittings, the deponant sayeth yes, – being ask as above, how long do you suppose it hath bin sence Mr. Bosley move his fence to the place it now stanes in, the deponant sayeth about seventeen or eighteen years ago he is not positive which, – being ask by the Defennant, do you no howlong it is sence Walter Tolley Juner died or in what year he died the deponant sayeth about twenty two years he believes, – being ask as above did you ever hear of a second