Ann Arundel County, to wit. (Be it remembered, that on the sixteenth day of april 1798. personally appeared before the subscribers, two of the Justices for Ann Arundel county, Harry Woodward Dorsey, and acknowledged the within the instrument of writing, as his act and deed, according to the true intent and meaning thereof. at the same time came Mary wife of the said Dorsey, who being by us privately examined apart from, and out of the hearing of her said husband relinquished all her right and claim of dower, to the within lands and premises, and she then and there did declare, that she made the said acknowledgment willingly and freely, and without being induced thereto, by fear or threats, or ill usage from her said husband or fear of his displeasure. —

John Snigg Belt.
Taken and acknowledged before Archibald Dorsey

Rec.d 23.d day of april 1798. to be recorded same day recorded in liber N.o H. N.o 9 folio 161. one of Ann Arundel county Land record Books. —

examined
Nich. Harwood Clk.

who entered thereon and on the 18.th day of april 1798 conveyed the same to Daniel Dorsey the Lessor of the Plaintiff. —

This Indenture made this eighteenth day of april seventeen hundred and ninety eight. between Richard Ridgely of the City of Annapolis. Attorney at Law of the one part, and Daniel Dorsey of Frederick county of the other part: Whereas the said Richard Ridgely did heretofore make over and convey to the said Daniel Dorsey by Indenture, bearing date on the seventeenth day of March seventeen hundred and ninety six all that tract of land, (being the original tract) situate in Ann Arundel county, called Dorseys Search containing by patent the quantity of four hundred and forty eight pounds eight shillings and one penny half penny with interest thereon, the same being advanced by Deborah Dorsey to said Ridgely, it being that part of the proceeds of Ely Dorseys real estate, as devised to Elizabeth wife of the said Richard Ridgely and her children by the last will of her father Ely Dorsey deceased. And whereas the said Richard Ridgely hath since acquired title to the land included in the resurvey, on the said original tract, the patent whereof bears date, on the tenth day of June seventeen hundred and thirty four, and contains the quantity of seven hundred and fifty acres of land, and whereas the said Richard Ridgely is minded and desirous of conveying the whole of the said resurvey, to the said Daniel Dorsey, in trust upon the same terms, and to secure the

payment of the said sum of money, with interest as specified in the above recited deed from the said Ridgely to the said Dorsey, and for that purpose, these presents are executed. Now therefore this Indenture Witnesseth, that the said Richard Ridgely, in consideration of the above recited premises, and also of five shillings current money to him in hand paid by the said Daniel Dorsey, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted, bargained, sold and confirmed and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell and confirm unto the said Daniel Dorsey his heirs and assigns, all the said tract of land called Dorseys Search, being the resurvey thereon and containing seven hundred and fifty acres of land more or less: together with all his, the said Richard Ridgely's right, title and interest of in and to the same, To have and to hold the said tract or parcel of land above described, and premises, with every of the appurtenances, unto the said Daniel Dorsey his heirs and assigns forever: In trust nevertheless that the said tract of land, shall be liable to, and chargeable, with the payment of the said sum of twelve hundred and forty eight pounds eight shillings and one penny half penny and interest, according to the terms and provisions contained in the above recited deed from the said Richard Ridgely to the said Daniel Dorsey bearing date on the sixteenth day of March seventeen hundred and ninety six, and on the paid sum of money and interest, being paid and satisfied: then this Indenture to cease, and become null and void: In Witness whereof the said Richard Ridgely hath hereto set his hand and seal the day and year aforesaid. —

Signed Sealed and delivered in presence of William S. Green. } R.d Ridgely (seal)

On the back of the aforegoing deed, was thus endorsed, to wit

Received the day and year aforesaid, of and from Daniel Dorsey the sum of five shillings current money the consideration within mentioned. — R.d Ridgely

Witness William S. Green.

Maryland, to wit. Be it remembered that on the twenty third day of april seventeen hundred and ninety eight, personally appeared before the Subscriber, one of the Judges of the General court of Maryland, Richard Ridgely within named, who acknowledged the within Instrument of writing to be his act and deed, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, and the act of assembly in such cases provided. —

acknowledged before G Duvall

Received the 23.d day of april 1798. to be recorded and the same day recorded in liber I.S. N.o 5 folio 130 & 131. one of the land record books of the General court for the Western shore of Maryland, and examined by

Jn.o Dunn Clk

The plaintiff to shew that John Dorsey the original patentee of Dorseys Search the original and those claiming under him always claimed, possessed and used the said land called Dorseys Search the original according to its true location on both sides of the river patuxent produced and read to the Jury the depositions of Benjamin Dorsey. —

The deposition of Benjamin Dorsey of ann arundel county aged fifty seven years who being duly sworn, deposeth and saith that he is the son of Captain John Dorsey