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By Vertue of a Comission Out of his Lordships Prerogative Court bearing Date the 16th day of June to us Directed to Examine a Certain Ann Hall On her Corporall Oath touching her knowledge relating to a Certain Controversy Depending in the in the said Prerogative Court between Thomas Reeves and William Hoskins Libellants & Abigale Reeves Executor of Thomas Reeves Libellee We have in pursuance of the aforesd Comission — Examined the aforesd Ann Hall On her Corporal Oath who Deposeth as — followeth viz.t

Ann Hall Aged twenty Years or thereabouts Deposeth on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that she lived Abigale Reeves two Months viz.t from the last of January to the last of March 1719 On the plantation that was formerly Thomas Reeves's and this Deponent saith she never knew Thomas Reeves Decd but knows Mary his widdow and Relict during the two Months only she lived On the said plantation w.th the said Abigale And that she never heard or knows whether the Estate of Thomas Reeves Decd was brought to a full Appraisement or not And this Deponent further saith that when part of the said — Thomas Reeves his Estate was Appraising this Deponent was at the said plantation & saw William Hoskins & his wife And William Willes there And further this Deponent saith that when she came to the plantation aforesd she saw about four Barrells of Indian Corn in the Corn house And some meal but does not know the Quantity And further this Deponent saith that the said Corn and Meal was used by the said — Mary and the said Abigale in their family Only the said Mary sold about 80 Boot to her Daughter in a Basket and about 20 Bacon the said Mary gave to Another person she thinks (Thomas Ward) to fatten for her Accomodations at his house During her the said Mary's Attending at Mary's County Court And further this Deponent saith that the said Mary had the Keys of the Meal and Corn During this Deponents Abode on the plantation aforesd And further this Deponent saith that she saw in the Corn house — Loft an old Chest made of plank And further this Deponent saith not

In Testimony to hereof I have hereunto Sett Our hands and Seals this 20th day of July Anno Dni 1722 In the presence of — the Libellants and Libellee

Rob.t Hanson (Seal)
Dan Jenifer (Seal)

Whereupon All and Singular the premisses in this Cause being heard this 15th day of August 1722 And it Appearing to the Court here that the Inventory is not signed by any of the Creditors or — Relations of the Decd And that the particulars Contained therein seem to be much Undervalued to which no Witnesses have been Examined And for that it is Impossible for the Court to know — the true Value of them Or to give a proper or Just Decree in the Case Without a further Examination of Witnesses —

Therefore it is Ordered and Decreed that for the better — Information of the Conscience of the Court a Comission Issue — returnable to the next Court to Examine such witnesses as shall be Named by the Contending parties And that the very next Court after the return of the Comission the Case be peremptorily tryed to which said Comission Accordingly Issued And thereupon this Action is further Continued Untill next Court

At which said next Court to wit the — Second Tuesday of October being the Ninth Day of the Same Month Anno Dni 1722 Comes again the said parties Libellants & Libellee by their procuratorsaforesaid. And return of the said last mentioned Comission being made to the Court here the same is Ordered to be published which follows in these words viz.t

By Vertue of a Comission Out of his Lordships — Prerogative Court of this province for the probat of Wills to us Directed viz.t Samuel Williamson Justinian Jordan George Forbes & Mathew — Mason bearing Date August 6th 1722 In Obedience thereto We have met September the 7th 1722 and taken the Same Depositions as Follows

The Deposition of Edm.d Ham Aged Sixty four Years being sworn on the holy Evangelists Declareth that being at the house of the — Decd Thomas Reeves the Spring before he Died Assisting One John Rile to Drive away a Cow and Calf which he bought of — the said Thomas Reeves And the said Thomas and Mary his wife Did Say she was a very good Cow And the Ghost in the form the said