The Deposition of Mrs Betty Eden; who being duly Sworn Deposeth as follows That Mrs Theodosia Key some few Days before her Death told this Deponant that she had a Sketch of a Will by her but not Signed and that she Intended in a Short time to come down to Mr Eden and Get him to write another Will This Deponant asks Mrs Key how she had made her Will Mrs Key Replied Pretty Equal Among them but the most to Sukey this Deponant declares that she had seen Mrs Theodosia Key Read a Written Paper & Deposes that Mrs Key told her she had two or three times set down with an Intention to Write to Mr Bowie but being so much Confined she Could not but that she had wrote him two or three Letters ~~Deponant with a Intention to write to Mr Bowie~~ to which she has received no Answer — And further Saith not

Sworn to in Court Octo 1st 1772 — Betty Eden

Test Elie Nallette Cl

The Deposition of Capt Jno Eden taken Debene esse this 1st Day of August 1772 In the Prerogative Court To be made use of as Evidence in a Cause now Depending in said Court between the Visitors of Saint Marys County Free School and George Watts & others If hereafter it shall be so allowed

The above Deponant being duly Sworn Deposeth & Says that Mrs Theodosia Key about one Week before her Death Came Down to his house and then told him she had a Sketch of a Will by her but Intended to alter it and also Said she Intended Down to his house the Week following to get him to write her Will and would Bring with her the Sketch and also Read Mr Keys Will and from what this Deponant could Collect from Mrs Theodosia Key she did not look upon that sketch to be a Will — and further Saith not

Sworn in Court 2 Octo 1772 — Jno Eden

Test Elie Nallette Cl

They also file in Court here the following Depositions taken by Order of the Comm heretofore Issued as Appeared which Depositions follow in the Words

May the 27th 1772

The Deposition of James Jordan being first duly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Declares that the Day after Mrs Theodosia Keys Death Captain Thomas Bond agreed to Join him to Examine and look over Mrs Keys Papers to see if she had left any Will in Examining her Papers they found a Letter from Mr Edmund Key that has been sealed with Black & Directed to Mrs Theodosia Key Dated at Annapolis Wed in which Letter there was Enclosed a Sketch of a Will which Sketch or Will he Believed to be Wrote by Mr Edmund Key The Purport of the Letter to the Best of his Knowledge was telling Mrs Key he had then Inclosed a Will wrote Agreable to her Direction and that he had left Blanks for the Executors Names to be by her Appointed and for the Date Directing her also if she Approved of the Will to have it Executed before three Witnesses as there was some Land Willed to be Sold, and further Saith not.

James Jordan

Saint Marys County Jc

Pursuant to the Annexed Commission we the Subscribers have taken the within Deposition at the Request of the Visitors of the Free School in this County Given under our hands and Seals this 27th May 1772

John Reider Junr (Seal)

Wm Thomas (Seal)

Vo

Mr Elie Nallette

Regr Prerogative Office

Annapolis