and also told him at this spot was the beginning place of a Tract of Land formerly belonging to old Dav.d Payne a Tract of land that was taken up between Selby's marsh and Joshua Mays Land and likewise told him that in his remembrance that for some yards above the aforesaid great Oak tree was a watery, miry, marshy, Wilderness sort of of a place and that he had often seen some of the Deponents Father cattle mired both above and below the said Oak in the spring of year and the Deponents Brother Francis told him that Mr. Joseph Mays pretend the beginning of Selby's marsh; towards the water pointing at the same time toward the place and said if it pleased God that he should live to get over his Law suit that he had with the widow Coil and Tho.s Rutland that he would show Mr. Mays where the beginning of Selbys Marsh stood and would show him it was in the spot where the aforesaid Stake was fixed. and about six or seven years ago the Deponent and his son was looking for a horse and mare as they passed by the beginning of Selbys marsh the Deponent saw Mr. Joseph Mays leaning against a fenced apon which he went up and asked him how he did who presently afterwards asked the Deponent if he knew where the beginning tree of Selbys marsh stood who answered yes he had been often informed it was under the aforesaid great Oak and being asked again who informed him told him old Edmond Wayman had shown him and told him that old Martha Sky had told him it was under the aforesaid Oak Tree Mr. Mays told the Deponent he perhaps was mistaken. and pointed to a great Oak at some distance from the place where the Deponent told him the beginning tree stood and desired him to go along with him and look and the accordingly went but when they came to that place the Deponent told Mr. Mays that was not the beginning but that it was under the tree he first showd him upon which they returned to the tree first shewn and Mr. Mays asked the Deponent whether he could not show him the spot where old Edmond Wayman had shown him to the beginning of Selby's marsh who told him he could and showd him the spot and told him that he had his information from old Edmund Wayman and the said Wayman had his information from old Martha sky and that the aforesaid Mays told the Deponent he was very sick

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for that he was within five yards or five steps of the place where the Beginning tree of Selby's marsh did stand and said he did not know that any person living knew where the beginning of Selby's marsh was the Deponent also gave Mr. Mays the reason how Edmond Wayman came to inform him was that there was some Vacant Land to the Eastward of the beginning tree which the Deponents Brother in Law advised him to take up which he would have done had not his Brother told him it was his and Mr. Mays told the Deponent it was a pity he had not done it as Mr. Gresham had taken it up some time. and about four or five years ago the Deponent heard his Brother Francis was bad with a fling and Went to see him and found Gideon Lenthican there and his brother being so ill that he stayed two or three days with him and till he got better of his ailment and when he left his brother the aforesaid Gideon Lenthican told the Deponent he would ride some part of the road with him and as they were coming along he asked said Gideon if he knew any thing of the bounds of Selby's marsh who told him he did and brought him to the same spott he had been before shown by Edmond Wayman and others and at the same time told him he would show him where the beginning tree of Selbys marsh stood and pointed down with his hand as he sat on his horse at the place discribed as aforesaid and said his Father; and his Uncle Edmond Wayman and his Cousin Ezekiah Clark all three had shown him that same spot and told him that formerly in that spot grew the beginning tree of Selby's marsh and also showd the Deponent where the second Boundary of Selby's marsh formerly did stand. and that about six or seven and twenty years ago the Deponent went from his Brother Francis Lenthican to old Robert Saunders on purpose to ask him if he knew any thing of the bounds of Selby's marsh who told him that once a time that the deponents father had shown him a large spreading Oak about fifteen or twenty yards below his spring a well and told him there was an agreement made between the Deponents father old John Gresham and Dav.d Payne that, that tree should not be cut down as long as they lived because it stood so near the beginning of Selby's marsh. and about twenty odd years ago the Deponent had a commission granted him out of the County court to prove the bounds of a Tract of Land called Duvally Range Lying in the fork of Patuxent at which time he possessed part of said Tract

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