and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid was continued until the second Tuesday in August then next following. At which said second Tuesday in August here came the parties aforesaid by their attorneys aforesaid And thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid was continued until the second Tuesday in November then next following. At which said second Tuesday in November here came the parties aforesaid by their attorneys aforesaid. And thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid was continued until the second Tuesday in March then next following.

And now hereat this day to wit the said second Tuesday in March come the parties aforesaid by their attorneys aforesaid: whereupon and upon debate of the whole matter and hearing what can be alledged on all sides, this Court doth order, adjudge, decree and determine that the said John Vaughan from the service of the said John Anderson be manumitted, set free, and discharged: And it is further considered by the Court here that the aforesaid John Vaughan recover against the said John Anderson fourteen hundred and eighty nine pounds and one half pound of Tobacco for his costs and charges by him in this part laid out and expended, unto the aforesaid John Vaughan by the Court now here of his assent adjudged &c

R. Spregg, Clk

And the aforesaid John Anderson prayeth an appeal from the Judgment aforesaid to the provincial Court which is granted on his complying with the directions of the act of assembly in that case made and provided

Memorandum, At the trial of this cause the Defendant affiled his Bill of Exceptions in the following words to wit

John Vaughan } Petition for Freedom
vs.
John Anderson } In the Trial of this cause to prove that the said John Vaughan, the petitioner in this cause mentioned is a — a — slave, and that the Defendant in this cause hath a right to hold him as such, the Defendant by his Council offered to give in Evidence to the Court, the Depositions of a certain Hunking Wentworth, and Sarah Pope which Depositions are hereto annexed: To which the council for the petitioner objected that the said Depositions were not legal Evidence in this suit, nor ought by the rules of law to be read to the Court, and the Court were of opinion and determined that the same were not legal Evidence, and would not admit them to be read, because they were taken extrajudicially without the party against whom they were taken, and who was to be affected by them, her having any notice of taking the same, or her having an opportunity of cross examining the said Witnesses giving the Depositions aforesaid, all which facts were and, now are agreed by all and every the parties to this suit, To which opinion and determination the Defendant by his council prayed leave to except, and that the Court would put their to their seals or the seal some of them according to the form of the Statute &c

Chas. Dickinson

Dorchester County ss

(seal of D. Coty Court)

In Testimony whereof I hereto set my hand and affix the publick seal of Dorchester County aforesaid this third day of September Anno Domini 1770.

R. Spregg Clk. D. Coty

To which aforegoing Record were annexed the following Appeal Bond, the Depositions mentioned in the Bill of Exception in the within record, and the Depositions that were read in Evidence in Dorchester County Court, on the Trial of this cause, to wit —

Maryland Dorchester County ss. Know all men by these presents that we John Anderson, William Stevens, and John Stevens, Gentlemen each of Dorchester County in the province aforesaid are held and firmly bound unto John Vaughan in the full and just quantity of two thousand pounds of Tobacco to be paid to the same John Vaughan his executors administrators or assigns, to which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves, and each of us, our and each of our heirs executors and administrators jointly, and severally by these presents, sealed with our seals and dated this sixteenth day of May in the year seventeen hundred and seventy. Whereas the above named John Vaughan has lately in Dorchester County Court recovered Judgment against the above named John Anderson on petition for his Freedom, and fourteen hundred and eighty nine and one half pounds of nett Tobacco cost on said petition: from which Judgment the said John Anderson hath prayed an appeal to the Provincial Court — Now the condition of the above obligation is such, that if the above said John Anderson shall not pursue the Directions of the act of assembly of this province at the next provincial Court and prosecute the same appeal aforesaid with effect, and also satisfy and pay to the said John Vaughan his Executors administrators or assigns in case the said Judgment shall be affirmed, as well the costs aforesaid, as also all costs that shall be awarded by the provincial Court aforesaid; then the above obligation to be and remain in full force and virtue, otherwise of no effect

Sealed and delivered in presence of
H. Hales
Phlz Lecompte

John Anderson
William Stevens
John Stevens

The Deposition of Hunking Wentworth of Portsmouth in the province of New Hampshire in New England Mercht. (of lawfull age) this Deponent testifies that he well knew a negro or Molatto Girl whose name was Dounda, and commonly called Doree, who was a slave belonging to Doct John Pope of Portsmth (who disposd of her to one — Mr March, and she was sold to Virginia by one Henry Barter as the Depon was informed) That it is now upwards of thirty years ago that the Deponts father brot the Grand mother of the said Dounda into the Country as a slave for her life, and sold her and the mother of the said

Dounda