Year afterwards was Informed by a Certn Charles Gorsuch that the land did not belong to Rigby but to one Howell Powell and said Gorsuch advised this Deponant to go and Lease or buy said land whereupon this Deponant Enquired of said Gorsuch where he might find the bounds of said land and said Gorsuch directed this Deponant to an old Sawpitt and thence to a Cove where this Deponant now stands and where he found an red oak Stump which was marked true but doubted whether it was marked by hands or pickd by woodpickers and there appeared several other marks of the same likeness tenn footing the said tree which discouraged this Deponant from buying or leasing the said Land and further saith not taken & sworn to before us this Twelfth Day of September anno Domi 1727

We hereby further Certifie that we caused Notice to be given according to the Direction in said Commission Expresd

William Hamilton (Seal)
Thomas Sheredine (Seal)
William Buchnee (Seal)
Luke Stansbury (Seal)

March Court 1727 By Baltemore County Court it is ordered that the foregoing Return and all proceedings thereunto relateing be recorded

Signed p order Jtokes Clk

Proceedings on land Comissions returned at June Court Anno Domi 1728

To the Worshipfull Justices of Baltemore Cty the Petition of Abraham Cord & Thomas Cord of Baltemore County humbly Sheweth That whereas your Petitioners had ceded unto them two Tracts of land lying near Swan Creek in Baltemore County by their Deceased Father Thomas Cord the one named French plantation, the other Peters Addition Each Containing one hundred acres being both Antient Surveys and for as much as the beginning Tree of French Plantation is Down and Rotten and having now lawfull Evidence to prove the said Tree do therefore (Humbly

Humbly pray your Worships will Grant a Commission to take their Depositions in perpetuam Rememoram according to an act of Assembly in such Case made and provided And your Petitioners as in Duty bound Shall ever pray

November Court 1727 Which Petition being read and by the Justices of November Court aforesaid heard was accordingly Granted and Edward Hall, John Hall, John Clarke and Bennett Garrett or any three or two of them were appointed Commissioners to Examine Evidences relateing to the bounds of the said Land and it was ordered that a Commission should Issue returnable at June Court Instant Directed to the above said Commissioners for that Purpose

Baltemore County to wit

(Seal)

Charles Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltemore &c.

To Mr Edward Hall, John Hall, John Clarke and Bennett Garrett Greeting Whereas Abraham Cord and Thomas Cord of the said County (by their humble petition to our Justices of our same County at a Court held at the Town of Joppa in & for our said County on the First Tuesday of November Instant) have obtained a Commission to Prove the bounds of Two tracts of land lying near Swan Creek one named French plantation and the other Peters addition These are therefore to Impower you or any three or two of you (having first taken an oath before our County Court or some Magistrate duly & Impartially to Examine & Certifie the Evidences to prove or perpetuate the memory of all or any the bounds of the said tracts of land) do Issue Summons for all such Evidences as shall be to you nominated by the Petitioners or other persons Concerned, to appear before you at a Certain day (by you to be appointed) upon the aforesaid Tracts of land; also to Examine all such Evidence (upon