The holly Evangelist of Almighty God Deposeth and Saith that about Seven Years Since this Deponant was at John Carters house, and the said Carter desired him to go with him, and he would Shew him his bounded Tree; upon which they went to a Bridge called Bushey Bridge and the said Carter Shewed him a bounded Bead, Oake where this Deponant now Standeth & told him it was the beginning tree of his Land called Carters delight, and further Saith not; — Charles Gorsuch aged fifty years being Sworn on the holly Evangelist of Almighty God; deposeth; & Saith that he hasheard John Carter; John Cole jun^r, and others, say that the Beginning tree of Carters delight was a bounded red Oake Standing on a ridge Called Bushey ridge where this Deponant, now Standeth but dont remember he Ever did See the said tree tile this Instant. and further this Deponant Saith not, In Obediance to the within Commission we do Sertifie to the justices of Baltimore County, that we Setup notes intamateing our Intentions of Meeting on the within Land, According to the directions on an Act of Assembly in Such case made and provided. and We do further Serifie that we the Subscribers did on this Instant meet on said Land and took the Deposition, hereunto Annexed, as within we are required, &c Answer, Septem^r 7th 1737 — Loy Harris

William Rogers

November Court 1737 By Baltimore County Court it is therefore ordered that the foregoing petition Land Commission & return and all the proceeding there to relate be recorded — Signed & Order Wells Stokes Cl Cur

Abraham & Thomas Cords, petition, Land Commission & rot.

To the Worshipfull justices of Balt County now Setting the humble petition of Abraham Cord and Thomas Cord now Shewe th That your aff^d petitioners prays that they may have Commissiones appointed by your Worships to Settle the Bounds of a percell of Land Called Cords Purchas being part of a tract of Land Called Musketo Proff and Granted by yours worships — your petitioners is in Duty bound to pray

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Which being read and by the justices of the said Court heard, was according Granted & Mes^rs George Drew, Edward Wakeman Service Gilbert Henry Miller, were appointed Commissioners to Examine Evidences relateing to the bounds of said Land & it was thereupon ordered that a Commission Should issue returnable with all Converient Speed Directed to the above Said Commissioners for that purpose —

Baltimore

Baltimore County ss.

Charles absolute lord and Propry of the province of Maryland and Avalon lord Barron of Baltimore To Edward Wakeman, Service Gilbert, Henry Miller of Baltimore County Greeting Whereas Abraham Cord & Thomas Cord, of the said County by their Humble petition to our justices of our County aff^d at a Court Held at the Town of Joppa in & for the same County, on the first Tuesday of March last hath obtained a Commission to prove the Bounds of a Tract of Land called Cords purchas being part of a tract of Land Called Musketo proff; These are there fore to Empower, any three or two of you (having first taken an oath before our said County Court or Some Magistrate Duly & Impartially to Examine & Certifie the Evidences) to Issue Summons for all Such Evidences as Shall be to you Nominated by the petitioner or other person Conserned to appear before you at a Certain day (by you to be appointed) upon the aff^d Land also to Examine all Such Evidences upon their Corporall Oath (by you to be administred) of their Knowledge Conserning the Severall Bounds of the said Land also Carefully to reduce (what Such Evidences Shall Declare) into writeing in the presence of all the parties Conserned that Shall be there present and return the Same to our justices of our said with all Converient speed there to be recorded in perpetuall memory and you are hereby required (Before you meet on the said Land) where all parties Conserned Live in the County or where they are know, to affix publick notes at the parrish Church where the said Land lieth, three Sundays at the least before your Meeting, Intamateing your Intentions & the time you Shall appoint and to cause the like Notice, to be put up in the most publick places in the County Twenty days before your meeting and you are hereby further required (where any person or persons Interested are known to live out of the County you Cause the like Notice to be given by affixing a Note at the Church Door of the parrish in which the parties or parties do reside, forty days at the least before your Meeting and you are lastly here by required to return a Certificate of having given Notice as herein before directed, Sed together with the depositions of the Evidences aff^d and this Commission at the time & place aff^d pursuant to the directions of an Act of Assembly of this province in Such Cases made and for your So doing this Shall be your Commission Witness Richd Gist gent. Chief justice of our said Court the 6th day of March in the 21st year of our Dominion anno Dom 1706 Wells Stokes Cl Cur

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