On the 16th day of December 1775 Richard Cromwell Acknowledged the within Intrument of Writing as his Act and Deed and the Lands and premisses within mentioned to be the Right and Estate of the said John Orrick his heirs and Assigns for ever and at the same time came Elizabeth the Wife of the said Richard Cromwell and being by us privately Examined apart from and out of the hearing of her said Husband did release all her Right Title and Claim of Dower of and in the said Lands unto the said John Orrick and did declare she made the said Acknowledgment of her own free Will and Consent without being induced thereto by any threats of her said Husband or fear of his Displeasure

Acknowledged Before us

Har. Courtenay James Clarke

Received the 1st day of Jany 1776 to be Recorded & then Recorded

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Richard Cromwell
delivered J.M. To
Nicholas Merryman } Cont. 300 Cromwells Chance

This Indenture made the Tenth day of November in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy five Between Richard Cromwell of Ann Arundel County Gentleman Son and Heir of John Cromwell late of this County deceased of the first part Nicholas Merryman of Baltimore County Gentleman of the Second part and Robert Alexander of Baltimore County Gentleman of the third part Whereas at a Court of Common Pleas held at the Town of Baltimore in and for the County of Baltimore on the Monday before the first Tuesday in November in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy five the aforesaid Robert Alexander by a Writ of Entry Sur Disseisin en le Post did command against the aforesaid Nicholas Merryman all that parcel of Land being part of two Tracts of Land Situate and lying in Baltimore County aforesaid called Cromwells Chance and Cromwells Additions which is bounded within the following Lines Courses and Distances that is say Beginning in the first Line of Cromwells Chance at the distance of Seventy Six Perches from the Beginning Trees and running

thence South by East Two hundred and forty four Perches to the end of said Line then West by South One hundred and Twenty six Perches to the End of the East by North Twenty four Perches Line of Cromwells Addition then bounding on Cromwells Addition the three following Courses South by East thirty Seven Perches West by South Sixty one Perches North by West three hundred and fifty Perches then South forty Degrees East One hundred and Sixteen Perches then North fifty Nine Degrees East forty Perches then with a straight Line to the Beginning Containing three hundred Acres with the Appurtenances unto and upon which said Writ of Entry the aforesaid Nicholas Merryman at the same Term did Appear and did vouch to Warranty thereof the aforesaid Richard Cromwell who also forthwith at the same Term did Appear and did Enter into the Warranty of the same and afterwards upon the same Writ did Vouch the Common Vouchee to Warrant the Premisses so demanded who forthwith Appeared and enter into the Warranty of the same and afterwards made default whereby a Common Recovery of the Premisses with the Appurtenances was had and perfected as by the Record thereof in the said Court remaining may more at large Appear Now This Indenture Witnesseth that it is Covenanted granted and agreed mutually and Between the said Parties to the presents and the said Richard Cromwell and Robert Alexander for themselves Severally and apart and for their Several heirs do hereby Covenant grant and agree to and with the said Nicholas Merryman his heirs and Assigns and do also hereby Signify and declare that the true Intent and meaning of the said Robert Alexander and Richard Cromwell now is and at the time of suffering the Recovery aforesaid was and was declared to be that after the said Recovery had made and Perfected the same Recovery and the Execution thereof should be and enure and the Recovery thereof his heirs and Assigns should from thenceforth stand and be seized of and in the Recovered Premisses with the Appurtenances to the only proper use and behoof of the said Nicholas Merryman his heirs

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