Baltimore County ss: On the 25th Day of January 1783 Before us the Subscribers two Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid Came the Parties to the within Indenture of Lease and Severally Acknowledged it to be their respective Acts and Deed According to the true Intent and Meaning thereof Acknowledged before Geo Gould Presbury
Henry Wilson

Received to be recorded the 3d day of March 1783 Same Day Recorded
Exam per Wm Gibson Clk

Hercules Courtenay
Land Commission
Depositions & Return
on Darnalls Sylvania

State of Maryland To Thomas Sollers William Neill, Daniel Bowley & James Gittings Gentlemen Greeting Whereas Hercules Courtenay by his Petition to our Justices of Baltimore County Court hath Set forth that he is Seized in fee of a Tract of Land Called Darnalls Sylvania Situate in Baltimore County the Bounds Whereof are decayed and likely to Perish and therefore Prays a Commission to take depositions of all such evidences as shall be Offered to establish the Bounds of said Land or of any other on which the same may depend which Petition is granted and it being Suggested that you are Substantial and capable Freeholders within the said County of Baltimore and we having great Confidence in your Prudence and Integrity have thereupon Assigned Commissioned and Appointed you or any three or two of you and by these Presents do give unto you or any three or two of you full Power and Authority (you having first taken an Oath before our said Justices or some other of our Magistrates duly and impartially to examine and certify the Evidences concerning the Premises) to Issue Summons for all such Evidences as shall be to you Nominated by the said Petitioner or other Person or Persons concerned to appear before you at a certain Day to be by You Appointed upon the Lands the Boundaries Whereof are as aforesaid to be proved or perpetuated

and to examine all such Evidences Seperately and apart upon their Corporal Oaths to be by you Administred of their knowledge concerning the Several Bounds of such Lands and carefully to Reduce What those Evidences shall declare into Writing in the Presence of all the Parties concerned that shall be there and Return the same to our said County Court to be Recorded in Perpetual Memory Provided that You be not any way Related to any of the Parties nor Interested in the Lands and that before your Meeting on the said Land where all Parties concerned Live in the said County or where they are not known you affix Publick Notes at the Parish Church where the said Lands lies Three Sundays at the Least before your Meeting intimating Your Intentions and the Time you Shall appoint and that you cause the like Notes to be put up in the most Publick Places in the same County twenty Days before such Meeting and that where all Persons interested are known and any of them Live out of the County aforesaid Notice shall be Given by affixing a Note at the Church Door of the Parish in which such party or parties Reside forty Days at the Least before such your Meeting and also that you shall Return a Certificate of such Notices given and of all Acts and Proceedings in and about the Premises fairly and distinctly wrote and closed up together with this Writ under Your Hands and Seals with out Delay before the Justices of our said County Court to be Recorded in Perpetual Memory Witness John Moale Gentleman Presiding Justice of our said County Court the 16th Day of August in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Eighty two

Issued the 20th August 1782 — William Gibson Clk Co Ct

Baltimore County to wit 18th Septem 1782 Personally appeared before me the Subscriber one of the Justices of the Peace for said County Daniel Bowley & Wm Neill Who duly Qualified to execute the within Commission
Tho Sollers

Sept. 18, 1782 Personally Appeared Tho. Sollers before me the Subscriber and was duly Qualified
Isaac VBibber