August the 4th 1788 came Messrs. Richard Johns Job Hunt and Thomas Rutter before me the Subscriber one of the States Justices for Baltimore County and qualified for the purposes with mentioned

Jere Johnson —

August the 4th 1788 Jeremiah Johnson Qualified for the purposes within mentioned before . . . . . — Thomas Rutter

By virtue of a Land Commission from the worshipful Justices of Baltimore County bearing date 5th May 1788 to us directed . . . —

After having given due Notice according to Law met this fourth of August 1788 and being first duly qualified proceeded to the qualification of Thomas Gill as Surveyor Jacob Willson and Samuel Fort as Chain Carriers and John Mayer as polesman proceeded to taking the following deposition viz — Thomas Cowings Ag.d about Forty six Years being qualified on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty god deposeth & saith that about ten or eleven Years ago he was at the place we now Stand where then Stood two bounded white Oaks a third one then Down Beat Cowings being in company our Guard was then to Run a Tract of Land called Cockeys Folly at which time the said Beat Cowings Informed this deponant said trees was the beginning tree of a Tract of Land called Cockeys Folly and further saith that about two Years ago he was at this same place where only one of the same trees one now Standing and at that time said trees was deemd the beginning trees of Cockeys delight and Cockeys Folly and that the Surveyor Cornelius Howard did begin at said trees and Run out the tract of Land called Cockeys delight and further this deponant saith not . . . . . Thomas Cowings

Charles Gorsuch aged about Seventy three Years being qualified on the Holy Evangelists of almighty god deposeth and Saith that he has several times been at the Running of the first line of a Tract of Land called Cockeys delight and that they Run from two bounded white Oaks where there is now Only one and that the said trees have Always been deemd the Beginning of Cockeys delight & further Saith that about five Years ago being in company with Lovelass Gorsuch and Others at a Chesnut and Spanish Oak tree both Springing from the Earth together the said Lovelass Gorsuch then Informed this deponant with Others that upwards of Thirty Years before he Carried the Chain on the first Line of a Tract of Land called Cockeys delight and that the Line then past between the aforementioned Chesnut and Spanish Oak Trees and being further qualified Respecting the begining of a Tract of Land called Friendship deposeth and Saith that about Twenty Eight Years ago he was present at a Meeting of a Number of Neighbours where they did plant the Stone in the place it now Standeth before this deponant

as the begining of a Tract of Land called Friendship and proclaimed it as such and further this deponant saith not — Charles Gorsuch —

Samuel Fort Aged about Forty five Years being qualified on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty god deposeth and saith that about five Years ago he was in Company with Several persons on the first line of a Tract of Land called Cockeys delight when a Certain Lovelass Gorsuch did Inform them that upwards of Thirty Years before he carried the chain on the first Line of a Tract of Land called Cockeys delight when the said Line did pass between a Chesnut and Spanish Oak tree both Springing from the Earth together where this deponant now Standeth & further saithing

Samuel Fortt —

Jacob Willson Aged about thirty seven Years being qualified on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty god deposeth and Saith that about five Years ago he was in company with Several persons on the first Line of a tract of Land called Cockeys delight when a certain Lovelass Gorsuch did Inform them that upwards of thirty Years before he carried the Chain on the first Line of a Tract of Land called Cockeys delight when the said Line did pass between a Chesnut and Spanish Oak tree both Springing from the Earth together where this deponant now Standeth and further saith not —

Jacob J. Willson

Ordered that the Surveyor proceed to the Running of the Mark Lines of Cockeys delight At the end of the first line of the said Tract reported by the Surveyor that the Compass varied three degrees and thirty six Minutes from the Testimony taken Ordered that the Surveyor Continue Running the Lines of the Aforesaid tract Allowing three degrees and thirty six Minutes Variation on each line . —

Adjourned until tomorrow Morning . —

Tuesday August the fifth 1788 met According to Adjournment the Surveyor Compleated Running the above tract . . . . . .

Samuel Fort aged about forty five Years being qualified on the holy Evangelist of Almighty god deposeth and saith that about twenty Eight Years ago he was at a meeting of a Number of Neighbours when they did plant the Stone in the place it Standeth before this deponant as the begining of a Tract of Land called Friendship and proclaimed it as such and further this deponant saith not

Samuel Fortt —

Adjourned to wednesday the 13th Instant — Wednesday 13th August 1788 meet According to Adjournment . — It is our Opinion that the stone as proved by Charles Gorsuch and Samuel Fortt is the Original Beginning of a Tract of Land called Friendship — — —

Captain John Cockey aged about forty five Years being qualified on the holy Evangelist of Almighty god deposeth and Saith that he has