north thirty four perches then north north east forty pt. then east five degs. south one hundred and fourteen pt. to an ancient bounded White oak standing on an drey point by the said Manjemoy creek side opposite to the dwelling house of Mr William Stone at wch place according to the depositions of Nicholas Cooper and Robert Taylor formerly taken stood the second bounded tree of Rotterdam from thence running into the woods east according to the original line of the said Rotterdam the length of five hundred pt. then south west and by west two hundred and seventy pt. to a locust post now put up in the line of the said tract called Manjemoy, Indian Town then east one hundred ninety eight pt. then south twelve degs. west nine pt. then west three hundred and ten perch to a bounded oak a bound tree of the said land and the reputed northermost bound tree of Sd. Thomas Mannor then south sixty nine degs. west twelve pt. to the head of the aforesaid Queens Creek als. Sd. Leidons branch then down and with the said branch and creek the following courses south fifty three degrees west thirty two pt. then south thirty degrees west twelve perch then south forty two degrees west sixteen perches then south seventy seven degrees west eight perches then north eighty three degrees west eight perches then south sixty two degrees and a half west twelve perches then south eighty five degrees west thirteen perches then south seventy five degrees west sixteen pt. then north seventy two degs. west eight perches then north forty one degrees west sixteen perches then south twelve pt. then south forty three degrees and a half west twenty four perches then north three degrees west twelve perches then south forty degrees west twelve perches then south sixty degrees west sixteen perches then west seventy six perches then south forty one degrees west three hundred and twenty four perches then to the beginning containing and now resurveyed and laid out for one thousand and sixty six acres of land more or less. according to the certt. of resurvey thereof taken and returned into our land office bearing date the twenty fourth day of February seventeen hundred and twenty five and and there remaining, together with all rights profits benefits and priviledges thereunto belonging (Royal mines excepted) to have and to hold the same unto them the said William Hutchison and John Stoddert their heirs and assigns forever according to their several rights that is to say five sixth part thereof to the said William Hutchison his heirs and assigns forever reserving to the wid. of the said William Hutchison the elder her right of dower and the remaining sixth part unto the said John T Stoddert his heirs and assigns forever to be holden of us and our heirs as of our manor of Zachia in free and common soccage by fealty only for all manner of services yielding and paying therefore yearly unto us and our heirs at our receipt at the City of St. Maries at the two most usual feasts in the year viz. the feast of the annunciation of the blessed Virgin Mary and Saint Michael the archAngel by even and equal portions the rent of one pound one shilling and four pence sterling in silver or gold and for a fine upon every alienation of the said land or any part or parcel thereof one whole years rent in silver or gold or the full value thereof in such commodities as we and our heirs or such officer or officers as shall be appointed by us and our heirs from time to time to collect and receive the same shall accept in discharge thereof at the choice of us and our heirs or such officer or officers aforesaid. Provided that if the said sum for a fine for alienation shall not be paid unto us & our heirs or such officer or officers aforesaid before such alienation and the said alienation entered upon record either in the provincial Court or



County Court where the same parcel of land lyeth within one month next after such alienation then the said alienation shall be void and of no effect. Given under our great seal aforesaid province of Maryland this twenty seventh day of May seventeen hundred and thirty six. Witness our trusty and well beloved Samuel Ogle Esqr. Lieutenant General and Chief Governor of our said Province of Maryland Chancellor and Keeper of the great seal thereof.

Sam: Ogle Chant.

(The Great Seal)

In Testimony that the aforegoing is a true copy from Liber R. J. No. 4. folio 483. ones of the records belonging to the Western Shore land Office of Maryland I have hereto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal this 21st day of Sept. 1815.

(Seal)

John Brewer Regr. Ld. Office.

Cost. $2.87 p cts.

The plaintiff then offered the following affidavit of John T Stoddert (here insert it) and then offered to read in evidence to the Jury the following paper being deposition from Maryland to wit.

the high Court of Chancery to wit.

In obedience to a commission out of the hie Court of Chancery directed to us Antho Neale and Mr Chandler the subscribers hereof bearing date the fifth day of march anno 1713 for the swaring and examining evidences relating to the bounds of a tract - land lying in Charles County called Rotterdam belonging to the Orphans of Wm Hutchison we have taken these following depositions here under transcribed being from such persons as was offered unto us by Mr James Stoddert guardian to the Orphans viz. Nicholas Cooper aged seventy years or thereabout being by us duly sworn upon the holy evangely and examined saith that about thirty odd years sence he was a sworn chain carryer at a servey upon a certain tract of land in Charles County called Rotterdam and that Capt. Randolph Brandt was the surveyor and that there was a dury upon ye Sd. servey and they began their survey at a spanish oak wch tree is now there to be found but as well as this deponent now remembers was within a chain or two's length of a Spanish oak wch we now at this time bound with six noches. standing on the north side of a marsh called Chandlers Marsh proceeding from a branch of Avon river now nanjemoy creek and the said deponent farther declareth that from the above beginning they run up the above branch or creek tell they come to a hye prognt peice of Ivy bushes right against the house wherein Mr Wm Stone now inhabits about wch place we now bound a small white oak with six noches wch place was then taken for the second bounds of sd. Rotterdam, farther saith not.

Robert Taler aged fifty years or thereabouts being duly sworn and examined as above doth declair upon oath that about twelve or thirteen years ago he being in compy. wth Thomas Broxon late of Charles County deceased the Sd. Broxon shewed this deponent a hollow oak tree and told the said Taylor that although it ware to the disadvantage of him ye sd. Broxon yet that was the bound tree that partd. a tract of land called Rotterdam then belonging to Mr Wm Hutchison and the said Broxon's land and that the Sd. tree stood upon the brown of a hye prognt peice of Ivy bushes by the side of a branch of Avon river now nanjemy creek and right against the house wherein Mr Wm Stone now doth inhabit and was within about a chains length of a small white oak wch we now bound wth six noches and is the same place where the above Nicholas Cooper deposeth to in his above deposition, and farther saith not.

Certified under our hands and seals this thirteenth day of January anno 1714.

A true copy of the original sent to ye chancery by us.

Antho Neale

Nell Chandler.