Cause pending in Chancery Court aforesaid County between James Crafford & Hannah Marquis Complainants and James Rowlands and Israel Reynolds, Defendants on the part and behalf of the defendants, that is to say. - James Bigley aged 52 years deposeth and sayeth to the first Interrogatives - That he has been acquainted with James Crawford James Rowlands and Israel Reynolds three of the parties upwards of twenty years. Second Interrogative he likewise deposeth and says that he never heard James Rowlands say or admit that he promised or agreed to conveay any land to John or James Crawford. Third Interrogative - he further deposeth and saith he was a Tenant to James Rowlands and Israel Reynolds on said land fifteen years, and that he lived one year with Adam Beatty before this time who was a Tenant to said Rowlands on said land called Crawfords Last Shift." James Bigley

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John H. Crunnel aged about 70 years deposeth and sayeth, To the first Interogative I have known one of the Complainants James Crawford and both the defendants a number of years at least thirty - Second Interogative I never heard James Rowlands say any thing on that subject and know nothing about it. Third Interogative All my knowledge as to the posession of the land called "Crawfords Last Shift" is what I heard given to a Jury of Inquiry to determine the right of posession, on which Jury I was appointed Foreman, and agreeable to the evidence then given to the Jury it appeared that the posession had been in James Rowland first, and then in Israel Reynolds afterwards for a considerable number of years, the exact number I cannot now remember, but think it was more than twenty years past, and the Jury awarded the right of posession in Israel Reynolds. Fourth Interogative I know nothing more relative to the premises. John H. Crunnel - Test John Comegys Com[r] - David B. Ewing Clk.

William Riling aged fifty two years deposeth and say to the first interogative, I know James Crawford, James Rowlands and Israel Reynolds near to about twenty three years if not upwards. Second Interogative I know nothing relative to the the second Interogative. Third Interogative. James Rowlands and Israel Reynolds to the best of my knowledge has been in posession of the above tract of land called Crawfords Last Shift twenty three years past. Fourth Interogative I Reynolds Reynolds gave me the whole of the farm called "Crawfords Last Shift" to work on the Shares, after that I moved to it, and on said land James Crawford told me, that he had been disposed of that part of lands that he lived on. I axed James Crawford how he got into the house again, Crawford states that Israel Reynolds board a hole through the Door for the purpose of putting two locks on the Door, which was on the Door. Crawford told me that he soon made the locks flight, and further said Crawford that if Israel Reynolds had waited a few weeks longer he the said Crawford would have given said Israel Reynolds posesion of the house on said land now called "Crawfords Last Shift. I now am a Tenant under said Israel Reynolds

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Sarah Waide aged 52 years do deposeth and say this 26th day of August 1817. To the first Interogative I now James Crawford & Hannah Marquis thirty years past, and likewise I have known James Rowlands eighteen years & Israel Reynolds thirty years. Second Interogative I know nothing about this

Interogative. 3d Interogative I My husband rented the house that said James Crawford now lives in, eighteen years past, which house my husband John Waide rented from James Rowlands, during the time that we lived in that said House James Crawford killed or murdered my husband John Waide, two weeks after the murdering of my husband John Waide by James Crawford I left the House and gave James Rowlands possesion of the house - for which house I paid James Rowlds Rent for the time that me and my husband was in possesion of said House - Fourth Interogative I after that I gave up the House to James Rowlds, Ellen Crawford wife of James Crawford I heard say to the jury that was held for inquiry, that I was cald for as a Witness in behalf of James Rowlds and Israel Reynolds against James Crawford - that James Rowlds put said Ellen Crawford in the house. Sarah her mark Waide - Test John Comegys Com[r] David B. Ewing Clerk

Deposition of Peter Alexander aged 48 years, taken this twentieth day of August 1817, First Interogative I Know James Rowlands twenty four years past, Likewise have been in the Knowledge of James Crawford twenty seven years. - Second Interogative I Know nothing of this Interogative. Third Interogative I Twenty six years past I Served with William McDowel on the land now in dispute between James Rowlands Israel Reynolds and James Crawford I always understood that said Land belonged to the said James Rowlds for which land I heard people say either crop[t] or rented under the tenament of James Rowlds Fourth Interogative I Know nothing further respecting the above named persons or as respecting the suit. Peter his mark Alexander - Test John Comegys Com[r] David B. Ewing Clerk

Depositions of Isaac Richards. taken August twenty second Eighteen hundred & Seventeen 1st Interogative I I have known James Crawford, James Rowlands and Israel Reynolds about eighteen years - 2d Interogative I know nothing concerning this Interogative. 3d Interogative I know that James Rowlands and Israel Reynolds was in posession of the said tract of land eighteen years past. 4th Interogative I Thomas Seal lived at my fathers in West Nottingham Cecil County, near the tract of land called Crawfords Last Shift about one year, at the time he sat as Juryman at said Crawfords on a Jury of inquiery November Eighteen hundred and fourteen. Isaac Richards

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Joseph Moores Deposition, taken Sept. 2d aged 51 years. - 1st Interogative I he deposeth and saith, I know James Rowlands Israel Reynolds and James Crawford upwards of twenty five years. 2d Interogative I never heard James Rowlands say or admit, that he was to convey any land to John Crawford dec[d] or James Crawford 3d Interogative I James Rowlands and Israel Reynolds upwards of twenty two years. 4th Interogative I Stephen Foster one of the Witnesses for the plaintiff in this cause General Character is very bad, and not in my opinion to be believed even on his oath, and that I have good reason to believe and do believe him interested in the event of the suit. Joseph Moore - Test John Comegys Com[r] David B. Ewing Clerk

The foregoing and the Depositions taken on the part of the Defendants.

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At the same Term the parties aforesaid, by their Solicitors aforesaid agreed that a Commission shall issue in this case to Elisha Kirk and John Briscoe of Cecil County or either of them. Whereupon in pursuance of said agreement, Commission issued by consent to Elisha Kirk and John Briscoe to take Testimony in the above cause, which said Commission is as follows. Cecil County ss. The State of Maryland to Messrs Commission Cecil County Elisha Kirk and John Briscoe of Cecil County Greeting - Be it known