Record Liber I.B. No. 2 folio 521 one of the records belonging to and remaining in the Western Shore land office of Maryland I

(Seal) I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 30th day of September 1839.

George G Brewer Reg. Land Off. W. S. Md.

Deft A.

May 28th 1816. Whereas William Morris of Charles County did set forth that there was about the quantity of forty acres of vacant land lying in the County aforesaid adjoining the following lands viz. "Saint Thomas" and part of St Barbaras Manor" partly cultivated by means whereof the same could not be affected by a Common Warrant he therefore required a special warrant to affect and secure it and that on return of a certificate of survey thereof he complying with all other requisites according to law may obtain a grant thereon he having paid to the Treasurer of the Western Shore the sum of nine dollars thirty three cents caution for the same as appears &c.

Lay out therefore and carefully survey for and in the name of him the said William Morris the aforesaid forty acres of Vacant Land be the same cultivated or otherwise &c. In the margin of the Record of the aforegoing warrant is the following entry viz. applied as Composition on Morris Landing

In Testimony that the aforegoing is a true Copy from warrant Record Liber I.B. No. 2 folio 521 one of the records belonging to and remaining in the Western Shore Land Office of Maryland, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 30th day of September 1839

(Seal) George G Brewer Reg. Land Office W.S. Md.

Maryland Set The State of Maryland to James McCormick and John W Mitchell of Charles County in the State aforesaid Greeting.

(Seal) Be it known that you are appointed Commissioners to examine evidences in a cause depending in Charles County Court as a Court of Equity of the said State for the Western Shore between Ethelda Harris Complainant and William Morris respondent, Therefore you are hereby Commanded having first taken the oath hereunto annexed, and also administered the annexed oath to the person whom you shall appoint as Clerk to attend the execution of this Commission that at such time and place as to you shall seem convenient you cause to come before you all such Evidences as shall be named and produced to you by either the Complainant or respondent and that you examine them upon their corporal oaths to be by you administered on the Holy Evangelly of Almighty God touching their knowledge or remembrance of any thing that may relate to the cause aforesaid and that you cause notice to be given to the parties or their attornies of the execution of this commission before you execute the same and having reduced the depositions of the witnesses so taken by you into writing you send the same with this commission closed under your hands and seals to the said County Court with all convenient speed, Witness the Hon Alexr. C Magruder Chief Judge of the first Judicial District of Maryland the 31st day of July Anno Domini 1846.

Issued the 6th day of November 1846.

Walter Mitchell Clerk

Commissioners Oath. You shall according to the best of your skill and knowledge truly faithfully and without partiality to any or either of the parties take the examination and depositions of all and every witness and witnesses produced and examined by virtue of the Commission hereunto annexed upon the interrogatories now or which may hereafter before the said Commission is closed be produced to and left with you by either of the said parties so Help you God.

Sworn before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for Charles County this Eleventh day of November 1846.

Elijah W Day

Clerks Oath. You shall truly faithfully and without partiality to any or either of the parties in this case take write down and transcribe the depositions of all and every witness and witnesses produced before and examined by the commissioners named in the commission hereunto annexed as far forth as you are directed and employed by the said Commissioners to take write down and transcribe the said Depositions or any of them so help you God

Sworn before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for Charles County this eleventh day of November 1846.

James McCormick

At the execution of a Commission issued out of Charles County Court sitting as a Court of Equity, on the sixth day of November 1846 directed to James McCormick and John W Mitchell empowering them to examine and take evidence in a cause depending in said Court wherein Ethelda J Harris is Complainant and William Morris is respondent we the said Commissioners in the said commission named having qualified by taking the oath to the said Commission annexed and having appointed Richard H Mitchell Clerk who likewise qualified by taking an oath to the said Commission annexed proceeded to give notice to the parties that we would meet at Port Tobacco on the nineteenth of November for the purpose of executing said Commission.

At which said day none of the parties being present John W Mitchell one of the Commissioners as aforesaid adjourned the Commission to Monday the 30th Inst. Monday the 30th of November the Commissioners met according to adjournment

The respondents Counsel not being present when Genl John G Chapman a witness for Complainants was examined under first Commission propounds now the following Cross Interrogatories to said John G Chapman who was duly sworn on part of respondent,

1st Was the division you speak of in your answer to 9th made under order of Court or not.

Answr The division was not made by order of Court there being no minors the partition was made between the representatives as authorised by the act of assembly Doct. Harris and Mrs Harris and the witness agreeing that such part of the Estate as their mother wished should be set apart for her the remainder of the Estate was divided by valuation made of the lands by Alexander Matthews and George Dement when Doct Harris and Mrs Harris selected the land in Nanjemoy and a deed was executed between the parties accordingly.

Int 2d Have you or not as administrator of Samuel Chapman brought suit against said Morris upon an account claimed to be