that Mr Baldwin did not want the Land sold on which the late Walter Billingslea lived at the time of his death, but that Mr Michael E Pue insisted on having it sold, and that Mr Baldwin was afterwards satisfied for Walter Billingslea Senr also purchased it to have it, but as he had not paid for it while his father lived that Mr Baldwin would prevent him from keeping it of the owner.

Sworn Before Wm Jordan

Affidavit of James Wann Maryland Harford County Sct

On this 1 day of June 1854 before the subscriber a Justice of the peace of the State of Maryland in and for Harford County personally came James Wann and made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that he knew Walter Billingslea Senr who lived on the land sold by Henry D Fernandis trustee to Walter Billingslea Jr that he saw him in Bel air on the day the property was offered for sale, and knows that at that time he was sixty seven years of age was a man of remarkably vigorous Constitution and good health, and had at that time the firmness and appearance of long life that this deponent was present at the sale that he knew the Land sold, as he lived within sight of it, and thought at the time that it sold for a high price.

Sworn before Wm Jordan

Affidavit of Harry D Gough.

Harford County to Wit

On this 6 day of September before the subscriber a Justice of the peace of the State of Maryland in and for said County personally appeared Harry D Gough and made affidavit that he has known Alex Scott Henry D Fernandis Esq for many years living in the same County with them. He believes that ever since since 1843 they have been practicing Law in Harford County Court and the Circuit Court for Harford County as partners, and deponent has never heard the fact of their partnership questioned or denied, on the contrary it has been the general understanding that they were and are partners as aforesaid.

Sworn Before Wm R Pearce.

Affidavit of Clarkson H West

Michael E Pue and wife vs Prescella D Pue and others	In Equity

Harford County to Wit. On this 28 day of May 1857 before the subscriber a Justice of the peace of the State of Maryland in and for Harford County personally appeared Clarkson H West who being duly sworn deposeth and says that he knows the Land mentioned in the proceedings in the above ~~case~~ entitled cause that in the opinion of this deponent said Land was worth in 1849 over 20 dollars per acre. That there has been no permanent improvement to the property since that time and except the use of a little ground the condition of the Land is pretty much the same as it was in 1849 and for the twenty years Deponent has known it but that better other Lands in the same Neighborhood it has been increasing and in market value and he thinks would now sell for over thirty dollars per acre. Deponent has been Collector of taxes for ten years since 1849 in the same district in which said Land is situated, and has had considerable

opportunities of forming opinions of the relative value of property.

He would not have been willing to purchase it subject to the life Estate of Walter Billingslea and knows of no good reason that could have induced any judicious person to think in 1849 that it would be advantageous to the parties entitled to sell said Land subject to the incumbrance of a life Estate.

Sworn Before Wm Jordan J.P.

And on the day and year last aforesaid the parties aforesaid by their Solicitors aforesaid filed in Court here the following agreement to Wit,

Agreement Baldwin and wife and others vs Michael E Pue and wife	In Chancery Bill of Review
Michael E Pue and wife vs Baldwin and wife and others	Objections to ratification of Sale.

It is agreed that Walter Billingslea be made a party Defendant to the Bill of Review. That the affidavit filed by the respective parties to be read as Evidence to have the same effect as if regularly taken under a Commission.

That the Notes for Complainants and objections to sale be filed on or before the 1 day of September 1858 the Notes of Sol for Billingslea on or before the 21 defts and Complts Notes in reply on or before the 7 day of October 1858 and that said cases be then submitted for Decree or final Order of Court

Henry Thatcher Solr for Baldwin wife and others
Alex Scott Solr for Billingslea

Note. The Defendants and Complainants Notes were regularly filed according to agreement.

And on the 21 day of September in the year last aforesaid the said Walter Billingslea by Alex Scott Esquire his Solicitor filed in Court here the following Exceptions to Complainants Evidence to Wit

Exceptions Baldwin and wife and others vs Pue and wife and Walter Billingslea	In Equity side of the Circuit Court for Harford County

The Defendant Walter Billingslea Excepts to the sufficiency and admissibility of the Evidence of the Complainants in this case not for the Notes in which it was taken but for the matter and substance thereof and because the same is insufficient and inadmissible if the same has been taken under a Commission for that purpose regularly issued and returned,

Alex Scott Solr for Complainant

And all further proceedings of and upon the premises aforesaid being continued until the first day of August in the year of our Lord 1862 when the Court here filed the following Opinion to Wit

Opinion of Court

Michael E Pue and wife vs Prescella Pue and others	Objections to sale.