particularly the Judges of the said Provincial Court within this Province have always been held removable & have actually been removed from their Offices & places at the will & pleasure of the said Lord proprietor of this Province for the time being & the Jurors aforesaid upon their oath aforesaid do further say that Cecilius Calvert Esq. in the Deed of Release aforesaid mentioned bearing date the 11th July 1730 departed this life without Issue of his Body in or about the year seventeen hundred & sixty five, & that the said Stephen Theodore Jansen mentioned also as a party in the same Deed of Release is now in full life that the said Mary wife of the said second Charles Lord Baltimore departed this life in or about the year seventeen hundred & sixty nine, & that Frederick late Lord Baltimore & proprietor of this Province the only son of the second Charles Lord Baltimore afterwards on the 4th day of September 1771. departed this life without issue of his Body his sisters aforesaid Louisa & Caroline the Daughters aforesaid of the same Charles Lord Baltimore then & still being in full life, & that the trust in the said Deed of Release mentioned bearing date the 11th July 1730. for securing a Jointure to the said Mary Jansen & for raising Daughters portions ceased & determined respectively upon the death of the said Mary & upon the marriage of the said Louisa & Caroline & upon payment of the portions due said Louisa & Caroline not before which portions the Jurors aforesaid upon their oath aforesaid do further say were paid before the Death of the said Lady Mary, And the Jurors aforesaid upon their oath aforesaid do further say that after suffering the said recovery as aforesaid publick notice was given in the Maryland Gazette by agents of the said Lord proprietary for the sale of the said Manor of Ann Arundel by the following Advertisement in the Declaration aforesaid mentioned

In consequence whereof the same manor was publickly & openly sold to the highest bidder, And the Jurors aforesaid upon their oath aforesaid do further say that from the time of the first settlement of said Province of Maryland hitherto there hath always been a great seal of & for the said Province & all lands heretofore sold & conveyed in fee within the said Province by the Lords proprietors of said Province from time to time have been granted by letters patent under the said Great seal & that the same Great seal is now constantly & universally used in granting lands in this Province in fee by the right Honourable the Lord proprietary, And the Jurors aforesaid upon their oath aforesaid do further say that the said Frederick late Lord proprietary for the consideration therein expressed on the fifteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & sixty nine made & issued his Grant or letters patent under the Great seal of this Province to John Thomas his

heirs & assigns one of the now Defendants in this cause for six hundred & ninety five acres & seven eight parts of an Acre parcel of said Manor in the following words to wit —

Maryland ss. Frederick absolute Lord & proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland & Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. To all persons to whom these presents shall come Greeting Know ye that Whereas by our Commission bearing date at London the twenty first day of February in the fifteenth year of our Dominion & in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred & sixty six We have given full power & authority to our trusty & well beloved Horatio Sharpe Esquire, Lieutenant Governor of our said Province, the Honourable Daniel Dulany Esquire & John Morton Jordan Esquire, & the survivors & survivor of them, for us & in our name to grant sell & dispose or otherwise to treat contract & agree for the granting selling & disposing of all or any of our reserved lands or Manors in our said Province as well cultivated as uncultivated to all & every person or persons who shall be willing to purchase for the same for such considerations & prices respectively upon such terms & conditions & under such rents & reservations & in such manner as by our orders & instructions under our hand & seal bearing even date with our said Commission & as by our further instructions under our hand & seal bearing date the eighth day of november in the sixteenth year of our Dominion of our said Province & in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred & sixty six are & is in that behalf specified & declared

And whereas by our said last mentioned instructions we have signified to our commissioners aforesaid that doubts may arise touching our title to Ann Arundel Manor on account of the devise which our late Father Charles Lord Baltimore deceased took upon him to make of the said Manor to Benedict Calvert Esq. tho his Lordship was Tenant for life only, of our said Province by the settlement made on his Marriage with the Lady Baltimore our Mother & which devise was afterwards defeated upon our attaining the age of twenty one years by exercising the powers in us vested as tenant in tail of our said Province, & to obviate any unnecessary scruples which uninformed purchasers might be induced to entertain of our said title we did thereby authorize & impower our said commissioners upon the sale of our said Manor or any the lands thereto belonging to insert in the Grants to be thereof respectively made proper engagements & stipulations in our name & behalf (& which we did thereby agree to confirm) to warrant the title of the lands to be so granted against the said Benedict Calvert his heirs & assigns & all & every person or persons claiming or to claim under him or them so as that such warranty be restrained not to extend to any future improvements to be made of the said Manor & lands nor any rise or increase in the value thereof beyond the price or consideration to be paid for the same respectively in case of any future eviction, In pursuance of which said Commission & instructions it is certified unto us by our said Commissioners that they have treated contracted & agreed for the granting selling & disposing of a tract or parcel of land called Bunny Meds lying in Ann Arundel County unto Mr. John Thomas for which said tract or parcel of land the said John Thomas has paid & satisfied unto our said Commissioners the sum of nine hundred & fourteen pounds & five pence sterling for the purchase money thereof as also the sum of seventeen pounds seven shillings & eleven pence one farthing sterling for the expences of surveying the same

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