William Partridge and John Partridge Lessee against Thomas Colegate and Job Garretson Tenants

I Benjamin Jones of Baltimore Town aged about 45 years being Duly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Deposeth and saith that at the Place now shewn to the Sheriff & Surveyor or here or hereabouts stood a gate about 30 years ago from which gate there was a fence, the Place where it stood I will shew as near as I can recollect Question by the Defenant Do you know whose gate it was that you have Just mentioned? for answer it was the gate that opened into the Widow Colegates Enclosures. - This Deponent being at a place now shewn to the Sheriff & Surveyor Deposeth & saith that I have showed nearly as the fence stood from where I before shewed to this Place & here or hereabouts there was a Water fence to the Water of this Cove & Crossed said Cove this Deponent being at another place now shewn to the Sheriff & Surveyor and Deposeth and saith that some wheres here or hereabouts in Henry Rutters life time when I lived with him about two or three and thirty years ago there was an old fence Crossed from nearly here to the Creek which fence I understood belonged to Thomas Colegates farther this. — Deponent being at Clappers Creek Deposeth & saith that here or hereabouts was water fence. — Question by the Defendants did you or did you not know that the land was tended between the fence & the Water and by whom? Answer I have seen it tended by Colegates People about thirty years ago or upwards in Corn & wheat did you ever hear this place or any of the lands within the enclosures which you have shewn claimed by any persons but the Colegates family? for Answer no I never did. This Deponent being at another place non shewn to the Sheriff & Surveyor Deposeth & saith that at this place non some old posts in the ground stood a house & he understood was a Tobacco House & Occupied by the Colegates family which was a very old House when I first saw it & that was upwards of thirty years ago. - This Deponent being at another place shewn to the Sheriff and Surveyor Deposeth and saith that about 30 years ago there stood a post by the water to which I frequently tied a Canoe whether it had notches or not I cannot say nor do I recollect wheather it was a locust or Cedar post nor to my Knowledge did I ever hear any person say it was a boundary of any land or not. — Question by John Partridge of the Plaintiffs do you know who attended the cleared land to the

the Northwestward of this Place at that time? for answer the Partridge family. - and further saith not. — Benjamin his mark Jones

Taken on the Survey the 3d. day of April 1793. -

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I Josias Bowen Senr. aged sixty two years & upwards being duly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposeth and saith that that field shewn to the Sheriff & Surveyor William Partridge Uncle to the Present John Partridge Cultivated about thirty years ago that he has seen the said William Partridges People at work in tilling the said field that the said field has been in possession of the Partridges family and those claiming under them ever since to the present time to the best of my Knowledge Question by Thos. Colegate One of the Defendants do you know by what name the Partridges held this land wheather by the name of Good luck Bristols folly or any other name? for answer kno I do not know by what name; — This Deponent being at another non shewn the Sheriff and Surveyor Deposeth and saith that about fifty two or three years ago he saw some cleared land at this place then called Cilleys old fields & about that time It was in Possession of Doctor Partridge ground farther to the Present Plaintiffs & saw some of Doctor Partridges People at work in it and I was told it was Partridges field by my Brother who was five years older than myself but I never heard by what name the said land was held by. - and farther saith not. - Josias Bowen

Taken on the Survey this 13th day of April 1793.

William Partridge and John Partridge Lessee against Thomas Colegate and Job Garretson Tenants

I Job Smith aged about 35 years being duly sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God deposeth and saith that here or hereabouts at this place now Shewn to the Sheriff & Surveyor Stood a House I think about Sixteen or Seventeen years ago or may be more in which lived James Hooper & I understood he leased it from John Partridge for some years but I understood he did not Stay out his time Question by John Partridge one of the Plaintiffs? Do you recollect how long James Hooper lived here; Answer two or three years do you know the reason why James Hooper left the place before his lease was expired? for answer I do not know principally, but I believe the family was weary Sickley & I heard of know other reason for leaving the place — Do you know what land James Hooper tended when he lived here for