At which said second tuesday of October being the ninth day of the same month in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety two comes again into the General Court here, as well the said Edward Queen by his attornies aforesaid, as the said John Ashton by his attorney aforesaid: And the said Edward Queen by his attornies aforesaid files in Court here the Depositions of Richard Disney and Thomas Warfield in form following towit. "Richard Disney of Anne Arundel County aged seventy five years being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, to say the truth of his knowledge in this cause saith, that he knows Phillis and Nancy Cooper, who belong to the Defendant; and has known them ever since he was a child; and Phillis is a mulatto, and Nancy Cooper as black as most negroes; he does not remember the mother of Phillis and Nancy; And this Deponent knew James Carroll who formerly lived at Fingal, very well; and this Deponent's mother who is now dead, was a midwife; and has often told him that the aforesaid Nancy was the first child she ever took, and was very well acquainted in the said James Carroll's family; and she attended the family many years as a midwife, and he has often heard her say, that it was a shame that the mother of Phillis and Nancy was kept in Slavery, and if Mr. Carroll would be false in one thing, he would be false in another; And this Deponent remembers to have heard a great deal of talk about her and has heard divers persons say that Captain Larkin brought her into this Country, and that she had a great many fine cloaths; and that old William Chapman took her on show once, and it was noised about that there was a fine Lady from London, and no body would buy her for some time, until at last James Carroll bought her; and this Deponent has heard Captain Isaac, who is now deceased, brother of Plummer Isaac say that Phillis ought to be Free; and this Deponent further saith that he cut and spayed young Stock at Fingal, three a four years, when Lewis Lee who is now dead, was Overseer there, and he has heard Lewis Lee say that Phillis ought to be Free, and Phillis then lived in a House by herself: Being asked if Lewis Lee was an older man than the Deponent, answers, yes, many years and that he was a man when the Deponent was a Boy. and the Deponent says that he never took much notice of what was said about her never expecting to be a Witness: Being asked whether the mother of Phillis and Nancy was reputed to be a Mulatto woman or a Negro, answers he does not know. The foregoing Deposition taken before me, one of the Justices of the peace for the county aforesaid on the fourteenth day of May seventeen hundred ninety two.

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The Deposition of Thomas Warfield aged forty two years a thereabouts, being sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, saith, that about the year seventeen hundred and eighty two, a seventeen hundred & eighty three, this Deponent was overseer at Bright Seat in Anne Arundel County for the late Reverend John Carroll and carried down six Hogsheads of Tobacco for the said John Carroll to Taylor's Landing & Warehouse where Capt. John Isaac, now deceased, was Inspector, and the said Inspector was going to mark the Tobacco with the name of the Deponent when the Deponent told him not, but to mark it with the name of John Carroll priest, upon which the said Capt. John Isaac asked him what he had to do with priest Carroll,

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to which the Deponent answered he was Overseer for him; the said John Isaac then asked the Deponent if he knew old Phillis who lived at the quarter, to which he answered that he did know her very well: the Deponent then asked the said John Isaac if he knew her, and he answered he knew her very well, and said she was as Free as he was if she had her right: the Deponent then asked him how she came to be Free, and he answered that her mother was Free and was brought into this Country by Captain Larkin and was sold for seven years, and the Deponent thinks the said Isaac told him that she was sold to one of the Chapmans; and he further says that the said Captain Isaac told him that her name was Mary Queen to the best of his recollection; and that she afterwards belonged to James Carroll who lived at Fingal in Anne Arundel County, and who as the Deponent has understood left the place before mentioned together with the White Marsh plantation and his personal estate to the Church; being asked how far Captain John Isaac lived from the quarter where Phillis then lived, answers about a mile, and he always lived there ever since the memory of this Deponent; and he has always understood that Phillis before mentioned is the mother of Ned the Petitioner. Being asked what is the complexion of Phillis, answers she is yellow, and appears to be a Bright Mulatto: and further saith not. Sworn to before the Subscribers this 11th of Octo 1792.

James Mackubin."

And the said John Ashton by his attorney aforesaid, as before, defends the complaint aforesaid when and where the Court shall take the same into consideration; and prays leave of the Court here further to imparle until the second tuesday of May next; to him it is granted and the same day is given to the said Edward Queen also.

At which said second tuesday of May being the fourteenth day of the same month in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety three, comes again into the General Court here, as well the said Edward Queen by his attornies aforesaid, as the said John Ashton by his attorney aforesaid; and the said Edward Queen by his attornies aforesaid files in Court here the Deposition of George Davis, in form following towit: "George Davis of Anne Arundel County aged fifty four years and upwards, being sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God to testify the truth of his knowledge in this cause, deposeth and saith, that he has known Ned the Petitioner for many years, and he has known Phillis who now lives with Mr. Ashton for about twenty years; and he further saith that between twenty one and twenty two years ago, the Deponent happened at John Atwells' when then lived on the land now owned by Thomas Duckett near Mr. Ashton's, and Ned the Petitioner passed by, and Lewis Lee who lived in Anne Arundel County was present and when Ned the Petitioner was passing the Deponent observed how many Mulattoes there were at the Priests; to which the said Lewis Lee answered yes, and said that, that lad, pointing to Ned, ought to be Free, for his Grand Mother was a free woman; Being asked if he knew the Grand Mother of Ned, answers he did not know any thing about her. He further saith that Mr. Atwell wife of the aforesaid John Atwell asked the said Lewis Lee several questions about her (meaning the Grand mother of Ned) and Lewis Lee made answer, the substance of which he does not recollect, except that he said that Capt. Larkin brought her in. Being asked if he remembers

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