is that of one who lives by cheating and deceiving the ignorant, by his Character he is not considered a fit Man to draw writings. To the sixth answereth, I have seen him: they say he is not an honest man. To the seventh, answereth, I did not, I never heard say he could or could not - To the eighth, answereth, I know nothing of that. To the ninth, answereth, I have seen him about three years ago, and they say he is not an honest Man. To the tenth, answereth, I do not know. To the eleventh, answereth, It was in the fall of the year I first saw him. Last fall was a year. in Woodcock Valley. To the twelfth, answereth, I do not know, I never saw them together. To the thirteenth answereth, I do not know. Upon a cross Interrogatory on the part of the Plaintiff. Are you at Law with George Elder? Answereth, he defrauded Me and I sued him. Samuel his Mark Hartsack

Signed in the presence of the Commissioners above named Benja. Elliot. Andw. Henderson John Cadwallader.

August 19. 1794. Samuel his Mark Hartsack

Signed before us three of the Commissioners } Benja. Elliot Alexr. Dean. John Cadwallader.

Adjourned until to Morrow 8 O'Clock Pell.

Friday 15 Nov. 1793. The Commissioners met according to Adjournment. to wit, Benjamin Elliot and John Cadwallader at the dwelling House of Alexander Dean in the Town of Huntingdon, proceeded to the examination of Witnesses in the presence of the parties.

Thomas Smith Esquire of Carlisle in the County of Cumberland being produced, and upon his Corporal Oath upon the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, deposeth, and saith. To the first Interrogatory & answereth. I have been acquainted with George Elder for about twenty one years the beginning of which time he lived in York County. To the second, answereth, some years afterwards he removed into Bedford County then in the Province of Pennsylvania which this Deponent understands is about seventy miles from Hagerstown in the State of Maryland. To the third answereth, The answers contained in the second To the fourth, answereth, The Deponent doth not know whether he can or cannot speak the German language, neither did he ever hear him say whether he could or could not speak it. To the fifth, answereth That from about the year 1784 to the year 1791 when the deponent left the Bar, he was generally employed by the said George Elder as his Counsel, during which time the Deponent can say nothing for or against the said George Elder, but that in fact he knew nothing against him during that period but from the first time after his being acquainted

with the said George Elder until he was employed as his Counsel, and since the Deponent has been called from the Bar, he has always and uniformly understood and believes that the said George Elder hath been considered generally as a dishonest Man, and designing and a Sharper in his dealings The Deponent doth not know whether he has been an industrious hard working Man or not, or whether he generally lives by cheating and deceiving the ignorant and illiterate with whom he has dealings. That the Deponent never understood that he was a Man proper to be entrusted with the drawing of any writings between Man and Man whom he could have presumed was ignorant of the Contents of said writings, if he could have reaped any benefit from the one party or the other. To the sixth, answereth, The Deponent is but little acquainted with the Character of James Heale, that from that little acquaintance, he believes him not an honest Man. To the seventh answereth, the Deponent doth not know, neither did he ever hear him say that he did or did not understand the German language. To the eighth answereth, the Deponent doth not know whether or not there is any connection between George Elder and James Heale, or whether they do or do not frequently associate together excepting that it was proved before the Deponent and the Associate Judges of Huntingdon County that the said George Elder advised the said James Heale to plead non est factum to a Bond or single Bill, which the said Heale accordingly did, and which was proved to be his Deed in the County Court of Huntingdon. To the ninth, answereth, the Deponent knows nothing of the Character of Christopher Yeates. To the tenth, answereth, The Deponent can give no answer. To the eleventh, answereth, The Deponent can give no Answer. To the twelfth, answereth, The Deponent can give no answer. To the thirteenth, The Deponent knows no other thing that would be beneficial to either Plaintiff or Defendant in this Cause. Thomas Smith.

Subscribed in the presence of the following Commissioners Benja. Elliot, John Cadwallader

Adam Householder of Woodcock Valley Huntingdon Township, Farmer, being produced before the following Commissioners, to wit, Benjamin Elliot, John Cadwallader, & Andrew Henderson upon his Corporal Oath upon the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, deposeth, and saith. To the first Interrogatory, answereth, about two years since the Deponent knew George Elder. To the second answereth, Woodcock Valley is in Huntingdon County about seventy Miles from Hagerstown To the third, answereth, The Deponent doth not know. To the fourth,

answereth.