aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by order of the Court here is further continued until the second Tuesday of May next; the same day is given to the parties aforesaid, then and so forth.

At which said second Tuesday of May being the thirteenth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety four, come again into the General Court here as well the said Gerard Shorter by his attorney aforesaid as the said Mary Boarman by her attorney aforesaid; Thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by order of the Court here is further continued until the second Tuesday of October next; the same day is given to the parties aforesaid, then and so forth.

At which said second Tuesday of October being the fourteenth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety four, come again into the General Court here as well the said Gerard Shorter by his attorney aforesaid as the said Mary Boarman by her attorney aforesaid: Thereupon, further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by order of the Court here is further continued until the second Tuesday of May next; the same day is given to the parties aforesaid, then and so forth.

At which said second Tuesday of May being the twelfth day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five, come again into the General Court here as well the said Gerard Shorter by his attorney aforesaid as the said Mary Boarman by her attorney aforesaid; Thereupon, further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by order of the Court here is further continued until the second tuesday of October next; the same day is given to the parties aforesaid, then and so forth.

And now at this day to wit the said second Tuesday of October being the thirteenth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five, come again into the General Court here as well the said Gerard Shorter by his attorney aforesaid; as the said Mary Boarman by his attorney aforesaid: And the said Gerard Shorter by his attorney aforesaid files in Court here the Depositions in form following to wit.

Leonard Shorter against Richard Edelen. Priscilla Shorter aged between

between forty and fifty years being sworn on the holy Evangely of Almighty God deposeth and saith that the Petitioner Leonard Shorter now present, is the son of the deponent, and her master John Smith sold him to Philip Ford four or five years ago, and Philip Ford gave him to the defendant who married his daughter. That Baptist Shorter who petitioned against John Smith is also son of this deponent, and is older than Leonard and is now about twenty four years of age. Sworn to this 30th day of October 1795. before J Bullen

Priscilla Shorter vs John Smith — Petition for freedom.

Sarah Butler of Anne Arundel County aged fifty three years and upwards being sworn on the holy Evangely of Almighty God deposeth and saith that she knows Priscilla Shorter now present, and has known her ever since she was born; that they were both born in the family of Henry Neale deceased, who was son of Roswell Neale; the said Priscilla Shorter is daughter of Appy Shorter now deceased; the deponent knew Appy, well she belonged to the said Henry Neale; that Appy has been dead about nineteen years; that she had eleven children to wit, Henny, Joshua, Anthony, Jenny, Shadrach, George, Nelly, Peter, Pifsy, and Lucy and Gerrard; that Henny, Joshua, Jenny, Shadrach, George, Nelly and Gerrard are dead; that Lucy belongs to Henry Neale of St. Marys County son of Henry Neale deceased before mentioned, and has petitioned against him. That the deponent knew Jenny Shorter very well and Appy was always reputed the daughter of Jenny Shorter and they always claimed one another as mother and daughter and she never heard it contradicted. J. Bullen.

Teresa Shorter vs. Joseph Boarman — Petition for freedom.

Jenny Shorter aged sixty two years and upwards being sworn on the holy evangely of Almighty God deposeth and saith that she knew Terry Shorter who petitioned against Joseph Boarman; she was daughter, as the deponent always understood of Lucy Shorter who belonged to William Neale near Port Tobacco, and afterwards to the widow of said Neale, which Lucy was Sister of Henry who petitioned against Henry Barnes, and of Basil who petitioned against Charles Carroll; that she knows Robert Shorter commonly called Bob Ruffeten, who was always reputed to be the brother of the said Lucy, Henry, and Basil. The deponent also saith that Anne Shorter who petitioned against Raphael Boarman is daughter of this deponent