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 James Shorter by his attorney aforesaid as the said Eleanor Bradford by her attorney aforesaid; And the said James Shorter by his attorney aforesaid files in Court here sundry Depositions, which are in form following to wit.

Teresa Shorter against Joseph Boarman

The deposition of Terry Shorter aged fifty eight years being sworn on the holy evangely of Almighty God deposeth and saith that she knows Teresa Shorter who petitioned against Joseph Boarman and has known her eighteen or nineteen years that she is sister of Charity Shorter who obtained her freedom against Ignatius Matthews and also a Sister of Basil Shorter who petitioned against Charles Carroll and obtained his freedom. That Robert Shorter who petitioned against Mary Neale now Mary Simms by Intermarriage with Robert Simms, is also a brother of Basil who petitioned against Charles Carroll, being the son of Lucy Shorter who formerly belonged to William Neale near Port Tobacco. That Tim Shorter who petitioned against Mrs Bradford is also son of Lucy, aforesaid and brother of Basil who obtained his freedom against Charles Carroll. That Stephen Shorter who petitioned against John Boarman is son of Jenny, who petitioned against Mrs Bradford which Jenny is full sister of this deponent and this deponent obtained her freedom against Mrs Chunn. That Anne Shorter who petitioned against Raphael Boarman is also a daughter of this deponents Sister Jenny, aforesaid. That Monica Shorter who petitioned against Edward Hayle is the daughter of Jenny Shorter who belonged to Henry Neale of St. Marys County, which Jenny is sister of Basil who ~~[illegible]~~ obtained his freedom against Charles Carroll. That Priscilla Shorter who petitioned against John Smith is daughter of Appy and sister of George Shorter who petitioned against Henry Neale. That Baptist who petitioned against the said John Smith is son of the said Priscilla. That Ignatius Shorter who petitioned against John Jenwich is the son of Nanny Shorter which Nanny is aunt of this deponent and this deponent knew Nanny ever since she the said Nanny was a child, and she is about five years younger than the deponent that Nanny was the daughter of Patty Shorter who belonged

belonged to old John Lancaster and was grand mother of this deponent; that she has understood that said Nanny is now in Kentuckey with a Mr Jenwich who claims Nase. That Phillis Shorter who has petitioned against Mary Boarman is daughter of this deponents Sister Jenny who petitioned against Mrs Bradford and Letty, who has petitioned against the said Mary Boarman is daughter of said Phillis. That Thomas Shorter who belongs to Richard Jordan she has always understood was son of the deponents ~~[illegible]~~ Sister Betty that Bettys mother was the deponents mother, and Betty was many years younger than the deponent and the deponent knew her ever since she the said Betty was a child being both born in the same family. That when the deponent went to see her mother and her sister at John Smiths on patuxent the said Tom was a boy and appeared to be about six or seven years old, that the deponents mother Nelly was then sick at Mr Smiths and died of that Illness; that this deponent had never seen the said Tom but once before that, she then seemed to be about two years old; that her said Sister Betty was then big with her next child, and Tom always past for Bettys child and she never heard it contradicted or questioned.

That Clem Shorter who petitioned against Raphael Neale is about three years older than Tom and she has known Clem ever since she knew Tom having first seen them at the same time, and Clem always past as the son of the deponents Sister Betty aforesaid and she never heard it contradicted, and he was owned by Betty as her child. That Ignatius Shorter who petitioned against Henry Howell is brother of this deponent and son of her mother Nelly and the deponent has known him ever since he was a child. That Gerard Shorter who petitioned against Mary Boarman is son of this deponents Sister Jenny who petitioned against Mrs Bradford. That Patty Shorter who has petitioned against Thomas Stone this deponent has known ever since she was a child, she is daughter of Betty, who was aunt of this deponent and sister of this deponents Mother Nelly, and was always reputed as such and she never heard it contradicted; the said Betty was daughter of Patty who belonged to old John Lancaster as the deponent always understood and never heard it contradicted.

Sworn this 17th day of October 1795. before John Randall

Taken before John T. Mason and Gabriel Duvall.

Priscilla Shorter against John Smith

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