Annapolis February 11th 1794.

Sir In Pursuance of an Act of Assembly passed at the last Session entitled "An Act to repeal conditionally an Act entitled An Act for the Relief of William Wheteroft of the City of Annapolis passed at November Session seventeen hundred and seventy nine" a Copy of which is herewith inclosed, I have nominated, and appointed you in conjunction with Nolley Young and George Murdock Esquires, Arbitrators for the purpose of settling and adjusting the compensation (if any) to be paid by Edward Dorsey to the said William Wheteroft for and in consideration of his Interest under the Lease executed in pursuance of the Act passed in the year 1779 aforesaid, and the improvements on the demised premises, taking into consideration all circumstances whatever relative thereto, as is particularly by the enclosed Law directed

with sentiments of perfect respect and Esteem, I am Sir

Yr. mo. Obedt. Servant

Tho. S Lee

David Crawford Esquire

Admitted as the Signature of Thos. S Lee Esquire as that he was Governor at the period aforesaid.

R. Ridgely for Deft.

That in virtue of the said Letter he accepted of the said Appointment, That he acted at a meeting of the Arbitrators at George Town with Mr. Young and he thinks it was at the second meeting. He was not at the first meeting, That both Plaintiff and Defendant attended the meeting when he was present, That this Deponent received the Letters marked D C, and C D as follows, to wit,

Sir. D C. Annapolis Febry. 19th 1794.

His Excellency the Governor having appointed you under an Act of the last Session of Assembly one of the Arbitrators to adjust a controversy between us as stated in that Act; and it being proper that the Expences incurred by you, and the other Gentlemen Arbitrators in the Examination and Settlement of this dispute, should be jointly defrayed by us. We take the liberty of informing you that we will pay all such Expences, We have written a similar Letter to the other Gentlemen appointed,

We are Sir with respect

Yr. most Obt. Servts

Wm Wheteroft

Edwd Dorsey of Caleb

David Crawford Esq.

Admitted to be signed by William Wheteroft the Plaintiff. P. B Key

Admitted to be signed by the Defendant. R Ridgely.

Sir C D Elk Ridge Febry. 19th 1794.

In Addition to what is contained in the joint Letter of William Wheteroft and myself, I take the liberty to observe that the Bearer of this Letter will wait on the other Arbitrators to notify their Appointment, And by that Opportunity a Communication may be had between yourself and the other Gentn. nominated to know at what time and place, it would be convenient for the Arbitrators to assemble: And when the time and place are ascertained, I should wish to be notified thereof as soon as would be convenient:

I am Sir

Respectfully Yr. most Obt. Servant

Edward Dorsey of Caleb

David Crawford Esq.

Admitted to be signed by Edward Dorsey. R. Ridgely for Deft.

That this Deponent did not attend the meeting at the time the Award was signed from some cause which he does not at this time recollect, But wrote to the other Arbitrators a Letter containing his Ideas upon the subject in dispute, and that he himself was for giving the Plaintiff a larger sum than what is awarded to him by the Award. That the said Letter is not in the power, possession, or custody of this Deponent nor a Copy thereof. This Deponent is not to his knowledge connected by Blood, Marriage, or otherways with either of the Parties, Plaintiff or Defendt. The Letter No. B. this Deponent never saw till now but he had notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Arbitrators, mentioned in said Letter. He does not recollect that he attended any meeting when all of the

the Arbitrators were present, He recollects there was an Appointment of the Arbitrators to meet at Upper Marlbro' but that they did not meet as Arbitrators there, That the reason why the Appointment was made to meet at Upper Marlbro' was to suit the convenience of Mr. Murdock who was expected to attend at an adjourned Court to be held at that time, and as Mr. Murdock did not attend they did not proceed to business. That the reason of this Deponents not attending the first meeting of the Arbitrators was from the indisposition of his family, and it also interfered with the County Court which was then setting of which he was an Apprecate Justice, Taken this thirtieth day of May one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven

Jno. Lynn Clk.

And which Deposition was taken in presence of the Court and reduced to writing by their Clerk, And William Thomas Yeldell then also appearing in Court and being duly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, and examined in Open Court by as well the Attorney of the said William Wheteroft as the Attorney of the said Edward Dorsey, deposeth and saith, that on the eleventh day of April last he served on the Defendant at his Dwelling House in Anne Arundel County the Original Notice signed by William Wheteroft of which the following is a true Copy.

Mr. Edward Dorsey Sir

Take Notice that on the fourth Monday in May next, I shall move the Judges of the General Court for the Western Shore of the State of Maryland in Court setting in the City of Annapolis to enter Judgment against you on the Award, Copy of which is hereto annexed and for the Sum mentioned therein and Costs I am Sir Your Obedient Servant

Annapolis 3d. April 1797. William Wheteroft

That at the same time and place he served on the Defendant a true Copy of the Award made out by George Murdock and Nolley Young between the Plaintiff and Defendant of which the following is a true Copy, to wit

George Town October 20th 1794.

To all persons To whom these presents shall come, Greeting: Whereas in and by an Act of Assembly of Maryland passed at last Session entitled "An Act to repeal conditionally An Act entitled An Act for the relief of William Wheteroft of the City of Annapolis passed at November Session seventeen hundred and seventy nine" and by the recited Section of the said Acts, his Excellency the Governor for the time being was authorized and requested to nominate and appoint three persons as Arbitrators for the purposes declared in and by the said Sections as by the said recited Section will appear. And Whereas his Excellency Thomas Sim Lee Esquire did by writing under his hand bearing date the eleventh day of February in the year seventeen hundred and ninety four nominate and appoint the Subscribers as Arbitrators under the said Act, Now Know Ye that We George Murdock and Nolley Young two of the Arbitrators as aforesaid have taken upon ourselves the Execution of the powers given by the said Act, and aftermore than fifteen days Notice to each of the parties William Wheteroft and Edward Dorsey of our having fixed and determined to meet at George Town and then and there receiving and fully considering the Allegations, proofs, Circumstances, and representations of the said Wheteroft and Dorsey who both attended the said meeting of and concerning the Subject matter submitted to us, do award and determine that the said Edward Dorsey his Heirs, Executors, or Administrators shall pay and satisfy unto the said William Wheteroft his Executors or Administrators the Sum of two thousand eight hundred and twenty five pounds five Shillings and four pence half penny Current money one half of which Sum to be paid on the twentieth day of ~~April~~ next ~~then next ensuing~~ and the residue or remaining half on the twentieth day of October then next ensuing. And we do further award that the payments of the said Sums in manner aforesaid shall before the end of three months from the date hereof be secured to be paid to the said William Wheteroft by the said Edward Dorsey by the Bond of the said Edward Dorsey with two good and sufficient Securities approved of by the Chancellor of the State of Maryland for the time being: And we do further award and determine the payment of the said sum of money in manner aforesaid to be secured aforesaid to the said William Wheteroft his Executors or Administrators shall be the compensation for and in consideration of his the said Wheteroft's Interest

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