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to come before you, or any three or two of you, all such evidences as shall be named or produced to you, or any three or two of you, by either the Plaintiff or Defendant, and that you, or any three or two of you, examine them upon their Corporal oaths, to be by you, or any three or two of you, administered, on the holy Evangely of almighty God, touching their knowledge or remembrance of any thing that may relate to the cause aforesaid: and that you, or any three or two of you, cause notice to be given to the parties, or their attornies of the execution of this Commission, before you execute the same: and having reduced the depositions of the Witnesses, so taken by you, or any three or two of you, into writing, you send the same, with this our Commission, closed under yours, or any three or two of your hands and seals, to us, in our said Court, with all convenient speed, Witness the Honourable Robert Goldsborough Esquire, Chief Judge of our said Court, the twenty ninth day of January Anno Domini one thousand seven Hundred and ninety eight.

John Gwinn, Clk.

Issued the fourteenth day of March 1798.

Wbooke } Attornies for Plaintiff, J Winchester, P. B. Key } Attornies for Defendant
L. Martin

Commissioner's Oath,

you shall, according to the best of your skill and knowledge, truly, faithfully, and without partiality to any or either of the parties, take the examination's and Depositions of all and every Witness and Witnesses produced and examined, by virtue of the Commission hereunto annexed, upon the Interrogatories now, or which may hereafter before the said Commission is closed, be produced to and left with you by either of the said parties, so help you God, —. Fayette County, ss. on the first day of October 1798 before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for said County came Alexander McClean and George Ebert and legally took the foregoing oath and at the same time George Yarnald was legally affirmed to execute the contents thereof, Given under my hand the same day —

Jonathan Rowland

Clerks Oath

You shall truly, faithfully, and without partiality to any or either of the parties in this cause take, write down and transcribe, the Depositions of all and every the Witness and Witnesses produced before and examined by the Commissioners, or any three or two of them, named in the Commission hereunto annexed, as far forth as you are directed and employed by the said Commissioner's, or any three or two of them, to take, write down and transcribe, the said Depositions, or any of them, So help you God.

Fayette County, ss. In Testimony that the above signing Jonathan Rowland is one of the Common wealths Justices of the peace in and for the said County duly appointed and commissioned as such, I have hereto set my hand and affixed the seal

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seal of the same County at Union Town the second day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight — Ephraim Douglass Prothy.

In Obedience to a Commission to us directed by the Honourable the Judges of the General Court for the Western Shore of Maryland We met at the House of James Gregg in Fayette County Pennsylvania on the 1st day of October 1798 and after taking the oath directed we appointed Joseph McClean Clerk who took the oath directed in said Commission we then put the following Interrogatorys unto Daniel Goodwin of the County aforesaid being first duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God. Viz.,

Interrogatory, 1st Are you acquainted with the Plaintiff or Defendant or either of them, if yea, mention in what manner and at what time you became acquainted with them?

Answer. 1st I am acquainted with both the Plaintiff and Defendant, the manner I became acquainted with the Plaintiff and Defendant, I was born and raised in the settlement where the Plaintiff and defendant resides —

Interrogatory, 2d Do you know a Tract of Land called Singerys Trouting Streams, if yea, mention where and by whom and in what manner taken up?

Answer, 2d I know a Tract of Land in Baltimore County called Singery's Trouting Streams taken up by the Defendant the the Defendant purchased two Tracts or parcels of Land in the reserve one called Merrymans Mountain, the other Petticoats Loose, which two tracts he Resurveyed and put them into one intire Tract which was called Singerys Trouting Streams

Interrogatory, 3d Did you ever live on any part of said Land called Singerys Trouting Streams; at what time and who claimed it then?

Answer. 3d I lived on part of said Land in the year 1787 and 1788 the land I lived on then was claimed by Edward Stevenson who claimed under Christian Singery the Defendant.

Interrogatory, 4th Has not Christian Singery the Defendant and those claiming under him been in peaceable possession of said Land ever since the purchase made by the Defendant of the two Tracts aforesaid called Merrymans Mountain and Petticoats Loose?

Answer. 4th Yes, until the plaintiff claimed it.

Interrogatory 5th How long since Edward Stevenson settled and improved the part of Singery's Trouting Streams which you lived on in the year 1787 and 1788?

Answer, 5th Edward Stevenson settled said Land in the time of the War between England and America.

Interrogatory, 6th How far is the Beginning Trees of Petticoats Loose from the House you lived in on part of said Land called Singerys Trouting Streams?

Answer 6th The Beginning Trees did stand within about 30 perches of said House.

Interrogatory 7th Has it not been the General reputation and opinion of the Neighbourhood for this 20 years past and upwards that the land you lived on as aforesaid in the years 1787 and 1788 was the property