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George Frazier Hawkins Nathaniel Washington and wife and Henderson Lind Butler and wife are the Lessors of the plaintiff And thereupon the defendants gave in evidence to the jury that after the death of the said Henelin and after the marriage of the said Margaret Trueman and the said Susanna Trueman as aforesaid the said John DeButts and his said wife did sign seal and deliver in due form of law for a valuable consideration therein expressed the following deed on the twenty ninth of July seventeen hundred and eighty five.

John DeButts Esq.r &
Marg.t Trueman DeButts
Deed to
George Fras Hawkins &
Susan Trum Hawkins

This Indenture made the 29th day of July one thousand seven hundred and eighty five between John DeButts and Margaret Trueman his wife daughter and coheiress of the late Henelin Trueman Greenfield of Saint Marys county of the one part and George Frazier Hawkins and Susanna Truman his wife of Prince georges county of the other part Witnesseth that the said John DeButts & Margaret Truman his wife for and in consideration of the sum of five hundred pounds current money to them in hand by the said George Frazier Hawkins & Susanna Truman his wife the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged and for divers good causes & considerations them hereunto moving have remised released and for ever quitted claim and by these presents for themselves and their heirs do fully clearly and absolutely remise release and for ever quit claim unto the said George Frazier Hawkins and Susanna Truman his wife in their full and peaceable possession and Seisin thereof now being and to their heirs & Assigns forever all such right estate Title interest and demand whatsoever as they the said John DeButts and Margaret Truman his wife had or ought to have if these presents had never been made of in or to all those tracts or parcels of land lying and being in Saint Marys county called Trent Neck & Greenfields Discovery

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except such parts of the said tracts of land that hath been conveyed to the said John DeButts and Margaret Truman his wife by the said George Frazier Hawkins and Susanna Truman his wife by a deed of this date by any ways or means whatsoever to have and to hold all the said lands and premises with the appurtenances except as before excepted unto the said George Frazier Hawkins & Susanna Truman his wife their heirs and assigns to the only proper use and behoof of ye said Ge.o Fras Hawkins & Sus.a Truman their heirs & Assigns for ever In Witness whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year before written.

Signed sealed and delivered
in presence of Jeremiah Jordan
Wilk Hilgour

John DeButts (Seal)
Margaret T. DeButts (Seal)

St. Marys County S.t July 29th 1785 then came the within named John DeButts and Margaret Truman his wife before us the Subscribers two of the Justices of the peace for the said county and acknowledged the within instrument of writing to be their act and deed and the lands and premises therein mentioned to be the right and property of the within named George Frazier Hawkins and Susanna Truman his wife their heirs and Assigns for ever according to the true intent and meaning thereof and that the said Margaret Truman DeButts being examined by us privately and out of the hearing of her husband declared that she made the said acknowledgement without any threats or fear of her husands displeasure

Acknowledged Before Jeremiah Jordan
Wilk Hilgour

Received to be recorded August 2nd 1785. by Timothy Bowes Ck.
Recorded and examined by Tim.y Bowes ck.
Saint Marys County to wit I do hereby certify that the aforegoing