The Deposition of Joseph Jones aged fifty three who being duly sworn on the holy evangels of almighty god and being at a red oak tree on the Bank of Patuxent River near the Black holes deposeth and saith that he and his father was fishing in said River and his father came to the tree we are now at and put his hand on it and said it was the Priest bounded tree and said that the Priest line came from Edwards bounded tree where the stone now stands heretofore proved by this deponent in another deposition taken at the said Stone to this said tree by a streight line. and further saith that his father told him it was the out line of the Priest land called Ayns, and further saith that his father informed him this deponent that the land from the said tree up the River belonged to old Joshua Warfield and the land from said tree down the River belonged to the Priest and further saith that Thomas Basford son of Thomas deceased one day as they were on the road pointed to said tree & said the priest line came from the aforesaid bounded tree of Edwards with a streight line to the said tree we are now at. being asked by the Defendant if either of the said persons told him who bounded the said tree answers they did not being asked by the defendant whether he observed their was any fresh notches on the said tree or not. answers he was in about four or five steps of said tree and did not notice whether it was marked or not, being asked by the defendant whether it was not a noted place for Childrens fishing, answers it was a noted place for childrens fishing at it and mens too. being further asked by the defendant whether the out side line of Ayns came to this tree answers he always understood it did being asked by the defendant if he knew who run the line and at what time answers he did not for he never made any inquiry about it. being further asked by the defendant whether it was a north west line or not answers he doth not know but that he heard the line came to the said tree and further saith not.

Taken on the part of the plaintiff 25th April 1796. Before Richard Harwood Sheriff A.A. County

Joseph Jones

The Deposition of Richard Jones aged about fifty one years who being duly sworn on the holy evangels of Almighty god and being at a Red Oak tree on the Bank of Patuxent River near the Black hole deposeth and saith that he and his father and his Brother Joseph Jones were fishing in Patuxent River and after they were done fishing his father came to this tree and said that was the Priest bounded tree laying hand on said tree at the time and further saith that his father told him that the Priest land Ayns came with a straight line from Edwards bounded tree then pointing his hand to the Bank said here or hereabout ends the Priest line and the land from the tree heretofore mentioned up the River belonged to old Joshua Warfield and the land down the River belonged to the Priest and further saith that he always understood from Thomas Basford and his son Thomas and old Thomas Fowler all deceased that it was a

bounded tree of the Priest land. further saith that the said Thomas Basford and his son Thomas and Thomas Fowler told him that the land from said tree up the river belonged to old Joshua Warfield and the land down the river from said tree belonged to the Priest this Deponent further saith that the aforementioned Thomas Basford and his son Thomas and old Thomas Fowler told him that the priest land came with a straight line from Edwards bounded tree where stands the stone heretofore proved by this deponent in this cause down to the tree we are now at and further saith that the above named Thomas Basford and his son Thomas and old Thomas Fowler were tenants to the Priest the time they shew this deponent the said tree and saith that Thomas Basford & Thomas Fowler shew him the tree about thirty years ago and that they were antient men at that time. and further saith not.

Taken on part of Plff. 25th April 1796 Before Richard Harwood Shff. A.A County

Richard Jones

The Deposition of Edward Wayman aged seventy six years being duly sworn on the holy evangels of Almighty god at the place we now stand deposeth and saith that the field extending between this place and the old Houses formerly the habitation of old Joshua Warfield has been enclosed for the space of sixty years last past and the possession thereof held by the said Old Joshua Warfield and by those claiming under him and they have always tended it in grain of some sort or other or kept it in pasture This Deponent always understood that the said Joshua Warfield and his representatives always had quiet and peaceable possession and that he never heard that the Priest or any other person claimed it untill the present dispute between Philip Hammond Plaintiff and John Ashlow defendant. this deponent further saith that the part of the field we are now in laying to the southward of this place on which stands the house of Caleb Warfield has been enclosed and held by the Warfield family & those claiming under them for forty years last past in peaceable and quiet possession and that he never heard any claim made to the land untile the present dispute between the present Plaintiff & defendant this deponent being asked whether the inclosures were always kept up answers that he left this place about ten years ago that during that time he does not know whether the said inclosures were kept up or not but before he left the neighbourhood he never observed this place not inclosed. and further this deponent saith not.

Taken on the part of the Plaintiff 25 April 1796 Before Richard Harwood Shff. A.A County

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I agree Waymans Deposition shall be read in evidence. W. Cooke

The Deposition of Rezin Gaither aged about sixty six years being duly sworn on the holy evangels of almighty god and being at a place where now stands two white oak trees deposeth and saith that he always understood this place to be the beginning of a tract of land called Lucy Ann that