more or less according to the Best of Survey thereof taken and returned into our Land office Bearing date March 16th 1696 and there remaining together with all rights profits benefits and priviledges thereunto belonging (Royal mines excepted); To have & to hold the same unto him the said Capt. John Davis his heirs & assigns for ever and to be holden of us & our heirs as of our Manor of Baltimore in fee and common socage by fealty only for all manner of services: Yielding and paying therefore yearly unto us & our heirs at our receipt at the city of St Marys at the two most usual Feasts in the year Viz. the feasts of the Annunciation of the B. V. M. & St Michael the Arch by even and equal portions the rent of fourteen shillings Ster. in silver or gold and for a fine upon every alienation of the sd Lands or any part or peice thereof one whole years rent in silver or gold or the full value thereof in such Commodities as we & our heirs or such officer or officers as shall be appointed by us & our heirs from time to time to collect and receive the same shall accept in discharge thereof at the choice of us & our heirs & provided that if the said sum for a fine for alienation shall not be paid to us & our heirs &c. before such alienation and the said alienation entered upon record Either in the prov. Court or in the County Court where the same peice of Land lieth within one Month next after such alienation the said alienation shall be void and of no effect. Given under our Great Seal at Arms this 31st May 1696. Witness our trusty & well beloved Colll Henry Darnall Keeper of our Great Seal in our said province of Maryland.

In Testimony that the aforegoing is a true copy taken from Liber BB No. 3 Folio 447 one of the Record Books belonging to the Land Office of the province of Maryland, I have hereunto set my hand & affixed the seal of the said office this 22d april 1772.

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Test, Wm Stewart Cl. Land Office.

And the Juron aforesaid upon their Oath aforesaid do further say that Samuel Davis was the eldest Son and heir,

heir at Law of the said John Davis which Samuel died before the time of making the will hereinafter mentioned leaving issue lawfully begotten of his Body Dorcas an only Daughter and his Heir at Law who in the life time of the said Elizabeth Wise in the said Will mentioned and during the Minority of the said Dorcas intermarried with a certain Isaac Manly and upon the Death of the said Isaac Manly afterwards in the Life time of the said Elizabeth Wise and during the minority of her the said Dorcas intermarried with Thomas Winchester which said Dorcas and Thomas Winchester are the Lessors of the plaintiff in the declaration mentioned; And the Juron af. upon their Oath aforesaid say that the said Thomas Winchester and Dorcas his wife before the Commencement of this Ejectment entered upon the said Tract of Land called Davis's Thrivalia in the possession of the said Defendant then being and claimed and made a demand for the same; And the Juron aforesaid upon their Oath aforesaid say that the said John Davis had issue of his Body lawfully begotten one daughter named Elizabeth Wise and divers other children in the Will of the said John Davis herein after mentioned named and one Grand Child in the said Will named and herein before mentioned to whom the said John Davis devised land by the name of his Grand daughter Tabitha (alias Dorcas) Davis; and that the said John Davis in his life time afterwards, to wit, the eighteenth day of December One thousand seven hundred and twelve being so seized as afo. duly made and executed his last Will and Testament in writing in the presence of three credible witnesses who subscribed their Names as witnesses thereto, in the presence of the said John Davis and by his said Will the said John Davis did give & bequeath unto his said Daughter Elizabeth Wise three hundred acres of Land lying in Kent & Queen Ann County upon the Branches of Chester River called and known by the name of Tansalia containing three hundred and fifty acres of Land as aforesaid but no share or part of his personal Estate, as by the said last Will to the said Jury here shewn forth in Evidence doth,