

in England and also with all other and such powers as are practised and Exercised by the said Officers of Examiner and Master in the Court of Chancery of England, so farr as the Different Circumstances of the Court of Chancery of Maryland and the Court of Chancery of England will Admit, for the said Offices being no way Incompatible, and the Business of the Court here not being so great, But that one Person may Execute both, if they are joyned a Person of greater Skill and Honesty may be procured Lib. M.

By this Method (the Intended Officer constantly residing in Annapolis) the Depositions of Witnesses may be taken at any time as their Convenience Serves They will be taken likewise wth the greatest Privacy (The Officer being sworn for that Purpose) and it is hoped with Clearness and Accuracy, Acco^{ts} Decreed will be taken and Stated with Expedition and Judgment, The Attorneys attending the Officer with their Reasons objections and Answers Concerning the same, all matters of fact Referred by the Court, will be Reported with Greater dispatch and all the proceedings Carried on with less Expence than they are at present.

All which is Humbly submitted to his Lordshipps Consideration

Dated this Ninth Day of June 1733.

Sam^l Ogle.

Whereas in pursuance of our Order Our Chancellor The Honourable Sam^l Ogle Esq^r hath Certified to us by his Report bearing date the ninth day of June 1733 That it is his opinion that the Practice in our Court of Chancery of Issuing Commissions to persons residing in the Country as well to take the Examinations and Depositions of Witnesses as to the fact in Issue in the Cause, as also to take all Accounts between the Parties is Attended wth great Delay and Expence to the Suitor as also with a just reasonable fear of the Increase of Perjury and Subornation of it, and that for preventing the like Inconveniences for the future It is necessary that an officer should be Created for the taking such Depositions and matters of Account which officer shall Constantly reside in our Metropolis and be Sworne faithfully to Execute his office We taking the said Report & opinion Into our Consideration Do Approve thereof and we do hereby Authorize and Command our said Chancellor as soon as Conveniently may be to Issue our Commission under our Great Seale to such Person as he shall think Proper thereby Giving and Granting to such Person full power & Authority to take the Examinations and Depositions of Witnesses as to the ffacts in Issue in all Causes Depending or hereafter to be Commenced in our Court of