

L. H. J. Record or in the Bundles of Original Papers, tho' a Copy thereof  
 Liber No. 52 Attested by the Deputy Commissary with Letters Testamentary  
 May 21 thereto Annexed has been produced to your Committee We also find  
 two Bundles containing Wills and Inventorys Exhibited in 1759  
 and 1760 not yet Recorded, And that the General Alphabet in that  
 Office is much Worn and will not bear binding and has several  
 leaves loose

That your Committee likewise find by comparing the Original  
 Certificates in the Land Office with the Records many of them have  
 never been Examined and that there have been great Errors com-  
 mitted in Recording them

Many Certificates before the Year 1740. are thrown into an old  
 Chest in the Office where they lay in the Greatest confusion much  
 torn and defaced and the Books which Contain those Certificates are  
 not marked Examined. the general Alphabet of the Patents is much  
 torn and defaced and only brought up to the Year 1757. And Also  
 another Alphabet of Patents and Certificates in two Books brought  
 up to the Year 1737 much torn and defaced

Your Committee have likewise Examined the State of the Secre-  
 tarys Office and find that part of the Judgments in May Term 1755.  
 the Whole of October Term in the same Year and a Small part of  
 May Term 1756. and the Whole of September 1756 are not Recorded  
 And that the Judgments before the Year 1757 do not Appear to us  
 to be Examined and that there is no Alphabet to Lib.<sup>r</sup> G. S. N.<sup>o</sup> 1.  
 which contains Judgments nor are there any Judgments of the Pro-  
 vincial Court entered since April Term 1761. a small part of which  
 Terms Proceedings still remain to be entered

p. 374 Your Committee Observe that the Records in the Publick Offices  
 for a Considerable time Past Appear to be made up generally by  
 Persons who write incorrect and unsettled hands. And your Com-  
 mittee beg leave to Annex a List of the Books that are now in the  
 said Offices. All Which is Submitted to the Consideration of your  
 Honourable House

Signed p Order John Duckett Jun.<sup>r</sup> Clk

A List of the Record Books belonging to the Land Office of  
 Maryland with their Proper Numbers and Contents

Lib. <sup>rs</sup>	N. <sup>o</sup>	N. <sup>o</sup>
Lib. <sup>r</sup> .....	1.....	Containing Patents Certificates and Petitions.
Lib. <sup>r</sup> .....	2.....	D. <sup>o</sup> Patents.
Lib. <sup>r</sup> .....	3.....	D. <sup>o</sup> Patents Certificates Assembly and Court Proceedings.
Lib. <sup>r</sup> A. B. & H.....	D. <sup>o</sup>	Patents and Certificates a leaf loose.