

Wayne County Sct

Before me Micah

Paul Clerk of the Court of the County

apous, on the 15th day of May 1834. This

Inventure was proven by Joshua Jones

Peter Catron and James G. Cowen the three

Subscribing Witnesses thereto to be the act

and deed of Leroy Hammonds Ash, Blen-

chet and John Hammonds parties thereto

and is admitted to Record

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Wayne County Sct

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Depo

The Deposition of Michael Stone
of lawfull age taken on a hill at a
white oak and ash (the trees called
for as the beginning of Andrew Tribbles
Entry of 200 acres made the 12th day of
May 1788) by virtue of an order
from the worshipping the Justices of the
County apous, to us directed for the pur-
pose of perpetuating the Testimony of
Witnesses for Establishing the beginning
apous, and calls in his Said Entry.

This Depo nent after being first sworn
Deposed and said that he was present at

the time when the trees we are now at were
marked as the beginning Corner of the apous
Survey of 200 acres of Andrew Tribbles

Question 1st By High Paul Agent for
Andrew Tribble. What was in them times

called prairie Landings? Ans. About
the mouth of
what is now called the Lick Branch

Question 2nd By Same What was in them
times called prairie meadows? Ans.

all the Marshy wet land about in this
Settlement. Quest. By South East

was what is now called the Meadows

known by that name more than any other
part? Ans. No. what is now called the

meadows was not then called so particu-
larly. Question By Ash. E. Mills

Ag. for Canhooger, Did you ever see these
trees from the time they were first marked

till last Spring was a year when shown
to you and Tribble by Canhooger? Ans.

Yes. Question By same. Have you any
particular marks by which you know these

to be the Identical trees as marked for Tribble
Answer, By these bushes which Fadd &

others Marked; Question by the same,

how long between the time these trees

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 seeing of them again? Ans: I do not rec-
 -ollect but it was some Considerable
 time. And further this Deponent saith
 not Attest
 Isaac West }
 North East } Commrs
 Nicholas Murre }
 Michael Stoner
 10 Oct 1805

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 Depo

The Deposition of William Hancock
 of lawful age and being first sworn Depoeth
 & Saith, that as well as he recollects about
 three years ago he was riding in company
 with Michael Stoner near where Jacob
 Vanhooger now lives and in Conversation
 with the said Stoner respecting spruce mea-
 -dows Stoner observed that the open meadows
 grades were not what was called the mea-
 -dows but pointing as this Dep't conceived
 down the branch Vanhooger Spring branch
 & observed that there were the Meadows.
 And further this Deponent saith not
 October 10. 1804 William Hancock

Attest
 North East }
 Isaac West } Commrs
 Nicholas Murre } Taken at Public Corner

The Deposition of George Turner of lawful
 age and first Sworn Depoeth and Saith

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What as well as he recollects last Spring
 a year he met with Michael Stoner near
 Meadow Creek and in conversation with
 said Stoner, Stoner asked this Dep't what
 Vanhooger intended to do about throwing
 up his place, did he mean to hold it by an
 arbitrary power adding at the same time
 that he meaning Stoner had leased the land
 to Vanhooger five years and was to keep
 him in possession during that term, the
 Stoner further told this Dep't that David
 Dribble intended to give the two thousand
 acres of Land that Vanhooger lived on to
 his wife in case it was gained, that said
 Stoner told this Dep't that the open grass
 you call meaning this Deponent the meadows
 were not the meadows for below Vanhoogers
 Spring was what was called the meadows.

And further this Dep't saith not.
Attest
 North East }
 Nicholas Murre } Commrs
 Isaac West } = sworn }
 George Turner Esq
 October 10. 1805
 Taken at Public Corner

Lawrens
 Depo

The Deposition of Thomas Cowen of lawful
 age and first Depoeth and saith, that about
 three years ago he heard Michael Stoner say
 that he expected a dispute would take place
 between Clarko and his Father-in-law Andrew
 Dribble about the land as this Dep't conceived
 at spruce Meadows that Stoner told this
 Dep't further that his father-in-law Dribble

208 had given the land to his said Stoners wife or at least that his wife was to have the land in case Treble gained it. And further this Deponent saith not.

Taken 10th day of Oct. 1801 in the presence of
Isaac West }
Nicholas Mercer } Commissioners
North East } Taken at Andrew Trebles Corner

Clark's Depo

The Deposition of Rolly Clark of lawful age and first sworn Deposeth and saith that about two or three years ago he was in Conversation with Michael Stoner about land at Sprices Meadows and that Stoner told this Dept. he had two hundred acres there that he got by his wife & further this Deponent saith not. Taken at Trebles Corner in the presence of
Isaac West }
Nicholas Mercer } Rolly Clark Esq
North East } Commissioners

Jacob Vanhooker ack: Due notice
Jacob Vanhooker

The within Depositions were taken in the presence of us J^{es} Evans & John Kerr two Disinterested Witnesses

Jesse }
Nicholas Mercer } James Evans
Isaac West } John Kerr

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Smith's Depo

In Obedience to an order of the County Court of Mayno awarded at their April Court 1803 Directed to Anthony Gholson Isaac Wicks North East and William Hancock Gent. present Anthony Gholson & North East at the place shewn to us by Col. Tho^s Young as his beginning. We proceeded to take the following Depositions to wit: First the Deposition of Charles Smith who being of lawfull age and first sworn Deposeth and saith, that some time in the Month of October ~~1793~~ 1793 he was in company with Robert Todd Esq^r then - derson Michael Stoner and others and assisted in making a Survey and as he believes this is the beginning of said Survey, this Dept. does not recollect for whom the survey above alluded to was made but it was a Military Survey Claim of 1800 acres and from the discourse had by the Company this Dept. believed at that time that the survey made as aforesaid was for the benefit of the Heirs of Rob. Todd, this Deponent gives these as his reasons for his belief, that the Survey afo^r was for Todds Heirs because he understood from Todd

and Somers Conversation that the heirs of Gods Deceased was to let said Stone have five hundred acres out of said Survey. Question by Young does this paper which you now hold in your hand contain the plat of the Survey above spoken of to wit, in the name of Tho: Young? Ans: by this Depoent I think it does. Quest: By same, Do you not believe the Survey now spoken of in the foregoing Deposition was made for Thomas Young?

Ans: I believe it now from the face of the papers. Question by Mills atty. acting for John Mills sen, & Mr. Smith have you ever been at this place since October 1793? I was not until this Day. Quest: By same By what do you know this to be the place of Thomas Youngs Beginning? Ans: Not from any particular marks in my view only that I traced a line to this place to day P. D. and the ground looks more like it than any other I see. Quest: by same Is not the face of the ground very much changed since you were first here? Ans: Yes the ground was at that time

very weedy it is also changed by there being a plantation cleared on it which was not the case at that time. Quest: by same, who conducted you to this place to day? Ans: I came with the Company in general but I would have come here or near here to have looked for it without Company. Quest: by Young is the hill and branch in any wise altered or changed from the Idea you had of them? Ans: I think not only by the Cleared Land & other Improvements. Quest: by same, Do you remember what ^{kind} of Pines you mark at the beginning at and whether they were marked at that time? I particularly remember a Mulberry but do not recollect of any other and that the Mulberry was marked. Quest: by same do the marks on the white oak agree with the size of the tool you made use of in marking round the Survey? Ans: I think it does I am not so confident. And further this Dept south west. Taken on the Ground this 25th day of August 1805 in presence of
 Anthony Gholson
 Isaac West
 Charles Smith
 North East

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of
Survey
Depo

The Deposition of George Turner of lawful
age and being first sworn Deposeth and saith
that four or five years ago he was in Company
with Michael Stoner and others that he shew-
ed to the Company what he said was
Youngs Beginning, this Dep. further states
that said Stoner shewed to the Company
a small Mulberry tree with some
line marks on it which he said was Mr.
Youngs Beginning. Question by Young who
were the Company the time Stoner shewed
em my Beginning? Joseph Beard Jacob
Vanhooker James Nicholas and others.

Question by same, was this the place (meaning
the place Charles Smith swore to) the place
shewed them by Stoner? Ans: It was not
but was a considerable distance from it
the distance I cannot now ascertain, but
I think some where about an Hundred
yards. Question by same, was the Corner
abovesaid as shewn by Stoner higher up or
lower Down the branch than the one sworn
to by Smith? Ans: I dont remember whether
it was higher up or lower Down but I know
it was further in the field. Question by same
was that Corner in or outside of the field?

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Ans: Out side. Question by same, Did you not
once claim a piece of land within the bounds
of this Survey? Ans: I did but have given it
up some time ago now I consider myself
neither Gainer or Loser in the event. Quest.
by same, Did you not sell that land? Ans:
No, I gave it to a young man if he was amind to
run the risk of entering of it. Quest. by same
Did not Mr. Joseph Beard the Surveyor
at that time find several Corners agree ably to
the course set by his Compass while you were
along? Ans: after we called him to the first
Corner he found the Course by the line. Quest.
by same Does the fence down the Creek from
this place stand now in the same place it did
at the time Joseph Beard made the survey
of? Ans: It appears to me it does. Question
by same Did not the fence generally run up
with the branch as far as the cleared land.
Ans: I cannot tell. And further this Dep.
saith not. Taken at Tho: Youngs Beginning as
Shewn by Charles Smith. This 29th day of
August 1805. George Turner

Buckha
Mons
Depo

The Deposition of Nathaniel Buckhannow of
lawfull age and first Sworn Deposeth, that some
time in the year 1795 this Dep. in company
with Benjamin Price & others launched a
Canoe above the mouth of this Creek to visit
meadow Creek and Cross the river and

and ever after the place was called and known by the name of prices landing, because price was considered by us the head of the Company. Question by Young, was there not at that time a trace leading from this place to prices meadows? Ans: Yes there was, and generally travelled at that time. Question by Mills, was there not another trace leading from or near prices landing to the meadows made sometime since your acquaintance with the first trace? Ans: Yes there was. Quest: by same, by whom was the last trace spoken of made? Ans: by the Dept. I marked it myself in the year 1779 leading from a Salt petre Cave between this and the great meadows, also to intersect the old trace some distance beyond the top of the River Cleft. Quest: by same after the new trace was marked out by you was discovered was not the old one neglected in a great manner and the new one the most travelled? Ans: Yes because it was then the most plain, our company travelled it the most. Quest: by same was there any company in these woods at that time besides yours? Ans: I do not know of any who were hunting in these woods but ours at that time but

M^r. Michael Stone Green & others came to at the Great Meadows. Question by same how long after marking the new trace spoken of did your Company travel it before your Departure from the Meadows. Ans: from February untill the July following. Quest: by same what was your companies motive for preferring the travelling the new trace to the old one? Ans: because we thought it the nearest from the landing to the meadows and because we had encamped in the salt petre Cave six or eight weeks and by that means the new trace became more plain than the old one. Question by same Young, was there not another trace besides the two above spoken of leading from Cumberland River to prices meadows? Yes from Gypsies Station Camp near the big taton to prices meadows? Quest: by Mills How far was Gypsies Station Camp from the Mouth of Satmans Creek? Ans: nearly opposite on the contrary side of the River. Question by Young was not the trace last spoken of very much travelled? Ans: It was our general Crossing place when we came to or returned from prices meadows. Question by same, was not the trace leading by the salt petre Cave generally called the Salt petre Cave trace? Ans: Yes it was. Quest: by Mills by whom was it called the Salt petre Cave trace?

Ans: Our Company called it the trail leading by the salt petre Cave. Question by Young are you certain the trail you showed the Surveyor this Morning is Prices Old trail leading from the landing to his improvement

Ans: I am certain it is as far as from the River to the Rich Glade and Dewers place this side of that. Question by same are you certain this spot is Prices old improvement? Ans: I was here with Price in 1775 and assisted in Building this Cabin and the Glade joining the Camp nearly a North Eastwardly Course was at that time bare of Timber and not more than 70 or 80 yards from the Camp and that meadow ground as this Dept. thinks extended some where about a quarter and half quarter of a mile across. Question by same was there not a pond some where not far from here Ans: there was. Question by same, what was the name of that pond? Ans: the swan Ponds what course was it from here? Ans: a Southwardly course. Quest. what size was that pond? Ans: a very large one an hundred yards or thereabouts across and am not certain as to its length. And further this Dept. Saith not

Nathaniel Buckhamor

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McClunne
Depto

The Deposition of John McClunne of lawful age and first Deposition and Saith, that as well as he recollects is some time in the fall 1783 himself in Company with others Designed to Trap on Cumberland River and was informed by the said Dept. Saith How they might find Prices Landing to wit, by the noise made by the fall of the Creek near its mouth, that this Dept. & Company found it accordingly & this is the same place; then our next object was the Salt petre Cave on the south side of Cumberland River we followed a trail leading from the landing off untill we arrived at the Cave where we encamped. Question by Young Did you not Discover another trail leading to the meadows Ans: frequently in hunting we crossing one which we understood was Prices main trail leading from Prices landing to Prices meadows which trail was marked wherever Buffallos Roads interfered Question by same was there not another trail leading from Prices Meadows to a place now known by Montgomeris Ferry? Ans: It crosses some small distance below where the Ferry now is and where the present ford is Quest. by Mills, why did you pursue the trail after you crossed the River at the landing off to the Salt petre Cave in preference to

Old trail leading to Spruce Meadows? Ans because our Camp was at the Salt Peter Cave. Question was it not the plainest way to the Meadows from the forks of the trail on or near the top of the Cleft? Ans: It was the plainest because our Camping Ground was there and both ourselves and Horses travelled from the Cave up to the meadows occasionally and from the Cave to the landing and at that time the old trail appeared to be disused Question by same, Mr. McLeur Suppose you had been disposed to travel from Spruce Meadows landing to the meadows in those Days which of the Traces would you have made Choice of? Ans the one by the Salt Peter Cave because it was the plainest & I was the most used to it Quest, by same Are you certain you were here in the year 1783? Ans I am not which of the years 1783 or 4 but we continued here Seven Months or near it. Adjournd by Consent untill Tomorrow morning 9 o'clock

McLeur's Deposition Continued.

Question by Young was the trace you have shewed the Surveyor on this Morning the Old one leading from Spruce Landing

to the Meadows? Ans: I believe it to be the one, one thing which makes it more evident is the rich glaze a noted place which it passes. Question by same are you certain the spot which you now shew the Surveyor is the place called and known by the name of Jones Improvement? Ans: I am very certain of it. Question by what do you know it? Ans by your Spring and the marked person's tracks. Question by same Do you know anything of a pond? Ans: No. Question by same what Course is that pond from this place? Ans a Northwardly course, what size is that pond? Ans: I think about one hundred yards across and nearly $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile in length. Quest, by same, Does the face of the Ground about this Improvement appear familiar to you? Ans: Yes it does being as near this ridge which I have often hunted over and other relics of this Old improvement. And further this Depoent saith not

John McLeur

Daniel
Depo

The Deposition of James Daniel of lawful age and first Susan Depoeth's faith, that two years some time this winter he saw a man who called himself James

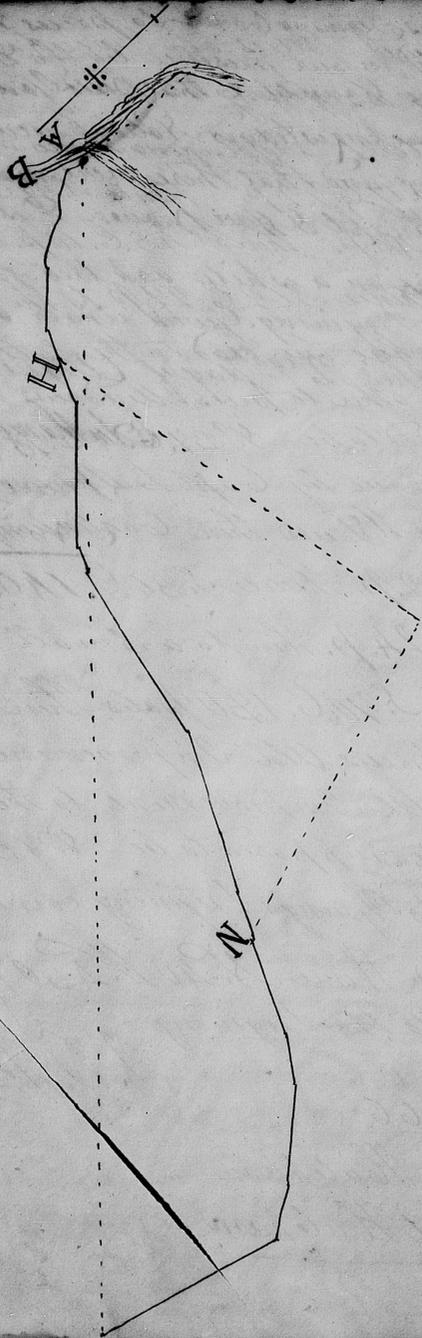
pointing to a white oak tree and observed made marks that he would know again. Does by Young, Did not Payne scrape the dirt off a Mulberry Stump and shew where it was cut or split with an ax? Ans Yes I believe he did. Question by same, How far was the fence from this Mulberry Stump above alluded to? Ans: Cannot tell exactly but I do not think it was far. Question where did you understand the Beginning of Youngs Military Survey was? Ans: I heard some body ~~say~~ perhaps some of my people say Mr. Stow said it was some where about here. Question by same, were there not two Stumps stood near the mulberry Stump up? Ans I do not know. And further this Dept saith not.

James Daniel

We do hereby Certify that the foregoing Depositions were taken at the respective Specialties refered to in them and that the several witnesses were ^{Sworn} & subscribed each his own Deposition. We do moreover Certify that Colo. Tho: Young produced to us three different advertisements Continued in the Kentucky Herald purporting notice of his Intentions to perpetrate Testimony and that the annexed platt of the distance

from his Beginning Corner to places landing was executed in our presence by the Deputy Surveyor of Wayne County & that said Young also produced an acknowledged Notice Executed by John Mills sen and that there were marks made by Jesse Wright & Wm Brown Disinterested bystanders on a white oak tree said to be near Youngs Beginning. Given under our hands and seals this 29th day of August 1805

Anthony Chalson
Isaac West
North East



Surveyed prices old Trace for Thomas
 Young Beginning at prices Cannos Landing
 at letter A and Running thence S. 20. W. 13 p.
 thence S. 19. E. 22 p. thence S. 39 E. 22 p. thence
 S. 20. E. 40 p. thence S. 45. E. 10 p. thence S. 36. E.
 63 p. thence S. 62. E. 23 p. to the fork of the
 trace where one lead to the Salt peter Cave
 and the other to prices Meadows then Courses
 Supposed to be N. 37. E. 420 p. to the salt
 petre Cave by Capt Buckhannon and Mr.
 John McQuar then Continuing S. 62. E.
 line 52 p. thence S. 36. E. 140 p. then S.
 52. E. 24 p. then to a Small white oak
 thence S. 40. E. 130 p. then S 55. E. 210
 p. to prices Old Improvement then from
 prices Old Improvement to the salt peter
 Cave is Supposed to be N. 13. W. 355 p.
 thence to Youngs Beginning corner is S. 20. E.
 40 p. thence N. 40. W. 450 p. a Straight
 line to the Beginning

J. J. James D.S.

Chanes C.C.
 James Hulcheson
 Robert Hulcheson