

Mr. Elder
400 Acres

George the sixth by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King
Defender of the Faith &c. To all to whom these presents shall come greeting
Know ye that for Divers good Causes and Considerations but more especially
for and in Consideration of the sum of Forty Shillings of good and lawful
money for our use paid to our Receiver General of our Revenues in this our Colony
and Dominion of Virginia We have given granted and confirmed and by these
presents for us our Heirs and Successors do give grant and confirm unto William
Elder one Certain Tract or parcel of Land containing four hundred Acres lying
and being in the County of Prince George on both sides of the Ruddy Branch of
Bullheads Swamp and bounded as followeth, to wit, Beginning at William
Boyther's Corner red Oak thence West two Degrees North two hundred and forty seven poles
to a Corner Pine thence North eleven Degrees West two hundred and forty four poles
to a Corner white Oak thence East by South three hundred and seventy four poles to Boyther's
line thence along the same South twenty two Degrees West one hundred and ninety one poles
to the Beginning. With all Woods Underwoods Swamps Marshes Longrains
Meadows Fording and his due shares of all Fishes Mines and Quarries as well discovered
as not discovered within the bounds aforesaid and being part of the said Quantity of four
hundred Acres of Land and the Rivers Naves and Naves courses therein contained together with the
Privileges of Hunting Hawking Fishing Fowling and all other Profits Commodities and
Hereditaments whatsoever to the same or any part thereof belonging or in any wise
appertaining To have hold possess and enjoy the said Tract or parcel of Land and all
other the before granted promises and every part thereof with their and every of their Appurtenances
unto the said William Elder and to his Heirs and Assigns for ever To the only use and
benefit of him the said William Elder his Heirs and Assigns for ever To be held
of us our Heirs and Successors as of our Manor of West Wycombe in the County
of Kent in free and Common Socage and not in Capite or by Knights Service
Yielding and Paying unto us our Heirs and Successors for
every Fifty Acres of Land and so proportionably for a lesser or Greater Quantity
than Fifty Acres the Fee Rent of one shilling yearly to be paid upon the Feast of
Saint Michael the Arch Angel and also cultivating and Improving three Acres
part of every Fifty of the Tract above mentioned within three years after the date
of these presents provided always that if three years of the said Fee Rent

shall at any time be in Arrear and unpaid or if the said William or his Heirs or Assigns do not within the space of three years next coming after the date of these presents cultivate and improve three Acres part of every Fifty of the Tract abovementioned then the Estate hereby granted shall cease and be utterly determined and thereafter it shall and may be lawful to and for us our Heirs and Successors to grant the same lands and premises with the Appurtenances unto such other person or persons as we our Heirs and Successors shall think fit In Witnes whereof we have caused these our Letters Patent to be made Witness our Trusty and Wellbelov'd William Gooch Esq; our Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of our said Colony and Dominion at Williamsburgh under the Seal of our said Colony the twenty fifth Day of September One Thousand seven hundred and forty six In the twentieth year of our said

William Gooch

Source

Land Office Patents No. 24, 1745-1746, p. 444 (Reel 22), Library of Virginia

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