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By the Proprietaries

Whereas it hath been represented to us by Jonas Seely of the County of Berks Esq^r that divers substantial and reputable Farmers in the neighbouring Provinces who are desirous to come and settle with their Families in this province have commissioned and employed him to make application to us on their Behalf for one or two large tracts of land on or near the Frontiers of this province in the Counties of Northampton and Berks or either of them which the said Jonas Seely engages and undertakes to procure at his own Expence to be surveyed and laid out and to settle (obliterated) Families or upwards within the sp (obliterated) three years now next, And that at the Time of surveying each tract a tenth part thereof at least of equal Goodness with the Rest shall be laid out appropriated & returned for our Use; And we favouring the said Application have condescended and agreed to grant Ten thousand acres in one or more tracts for the purpose aforesaid at or near the place and on the condition hereinafter expressed. They^{se} are therefore to require you to survey or cause to be surveyed the said Quantity of Ten Thousand ^{of land} acres in one or two Tracts on or near the North Branch of Lackawackeⁱⁿ Creek in the said County of Northampton Beginning about a mile above the Forks of the said Creek & joining on or near to a tract there of eight hundred ac^r (obl) which w^o (obl) was heretofore surveyed and returned for our Use; And after surveying and laying out for our use the full Quantity of Ten acres for every hundred acres thereof in one or two Tracts as you shall judge most for our advantage and at least of equal Value & goodness with the rest, you are then to return the Residue of the said Ten Thousand acres into our Secretaries Office in order for Confirmation to the said Jonas Seely, his heirs or assigns on his or their paying for the same to our use the sum of Ten pounds Sterling money of Great Britain for every hundred acres thereof with lawfull interest from the return of survey into your Office, that is to say, one Moiety or equal half part of such purchase Money within six Months after the return of the survey or surveys aforesaid into your office with interest as aforesaid and the Residue thereof within eighteen Months next after such return of survey or surveys as aforesaid together with lawfull interest as (obliterated) and to be charged with and subject to the yearly Quitrent of one penny sterling & acre or value thereof in coin current of this province at the Rate of Exchange between Philadelphia & London for the Time being to us our Heirs and successors for Ever Provided always nevertheless that if the said first Moiety of the purchase Moneys shall not be paid with interest as aforesaid within the said space of six months from such Return of survey or surveys as aforesaid & good & sufficient Security given as well for the payment of the Residue of such purchase Money & interest within the said space of eighteen Months from such return of survey as aforesaid as also that the said Residue of the said ten thousand acres of land (if not then fully settled) shall be settled with thirty Families at the least within the said space of three years now next ensuing the date hereof That then & in such case case this warrant & the survey aforesaid shall be utterly void. And we will be at full Liberty to grant the said ten thousand acres of land and every or any part thereof unto any other person or persons whatsoever at our Will & pleasure, by repayment to the s^d Jonas Seely or his Heirs such Purchase Money as he or they may have paid for the s^d land without interest. But it is hereby further provided & agreed that if by reason of a (obl) Rupture (o b l) th or in (obl) ion by the Indians within the said space of three years the settlement of the said Residue of the said Ten thousand acres of land with the s^d Thirty Families shall be prevented or obstructed, that then a farther reasonable Time not exceeding three years from the Determination of such Rupture ~~shall be given~~ shall be given & allowed to the said Jonas Seely his Heirs Executors, Assigns to complete the settlement thereof with the said thirty Families And Provided always nevertheless that the said hereby granted tract or Tracts shall be all surveyed & laid out within the lands purchased by us from the Indian Natives & shall not include any land whatsoever lying out of such our several purchases from the Indians, nor shall any Part thereof be (o b l) or laid out within thirty @ miles of Violating anything herein before mentioned or contained to the contrary thereof in any wise. Notwithstanding And for your so doing this shall be your sufficient Warrant Given under my Hand & the Seal of the land office by virtue of certain powers from the said proprietaries at Philadelphia this thirtieth day of July One Thousand seven hundred & sixty five.

Ex. W^r }To J^{no} Lukens. S. G.

John Penn.

IN TESTIMONY that the above is a copy of the original remaining on file in the Department of Internal Affairs of Pennsylvania, made conformably to an Act of Assembly approved the 16th day of February, 1833, I have hereunto set my Hand and caused the Seal of said Department to be affixed at Harrisburg, this

..... eighth day of April 1912.

Henry Houder

Secretary of Internal Affairs.