

understand and be informed that the <sup>d.</sup> John Bernard Esq<sup>r</sup> had  
 been absent out of this Commonwealth and beyond sea more  
 than twelve months, and had no sufficient attorney within the same  
 they therefore prayed that some discrete and disinterested persons might  
 be appointed by the Court to be advising on his behalf in making said  
 partition. — The <sup>d.</sup> Court thereupon granted the prayer of s<sup>d</sup>. petition  
 and did appoint James Sullivan of Boston in the County of Suffolk  
 Esq<sup>r</sup> and Assistant at Law next to the <sup>d.</sup> John Bernard for the purpose  
 aforesaid, and also appointed William Lathrop Just<sup>r</sup> of Georgetown  
 in the County of Lincoln Esq<sup>r</sup>, Nathaniel Thwing of Woodbury Esq<sup>r</sup>, and  
 Stephen Jones of Machias Esq<sup>r</sup> both in the County of Lincoln, to make  
 the partition aforesaid — and the <sup>d.</sup> Petitioners, by their other Petition to  
 the supreme Judicial Court held at Ipswich in and for the County  
 of Lincoln Esop on the third Tuesday of June last, shewed that the said  
 William Lathrop, and Nathaniel Thwing Esq<sup>r</sup> had declined accepting  
 their appointment aforesaid, and Prayed that others might be appoin-  
 ted in their room to make s<sup>d</sup>. Partition; the s<sup>d</sup>. Court held at s<sup>d</sup>. Ipswich  
 on the third Tuesday of June aforesaid, thereupon appointed you the s<sup>d</sup>.  
 Stephen Jones, Nathan Jones, and Thomas Richardson Esq<sup>r</sup> — after you  
 have been duly sworn for that purpose and given due notice to all concerned  
 to be present if they see cause to make partition of the s<sup>d</sup>. premises as prayed  
 for, by assigning to the s<sup>d</sup>. Bartholomy and Maria Theresa one Moiety  
 of said Islands of Mount Desert, by metes and bounds; To hold in sever-  
 ality and a part from the Moiety of John Bernard as aforesaid, and as  
 soon as you have thus done you are to Return the same petition with the war-  
 rant into the supreme Judicial Court, to the end the same may be accepted  
 by said Court, and recorded as the Law directs given under the Seal of said  
 Court at Boston the fourth day of July in the year of our Lord one thou-  
 sand seven hundred and Eighty eight. — My order of Court —

Attest Charles Chushing Sec.

Having been notified as agent to <sup>d.</sup> John Bernard, I agree that the  
 Committee proceed, relying on their impartiality and integrity to him Justice

James Sullivan

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