

Petition, DE, Sussex, Hercules Shepard, 1682

HERCULES SHEPARD, petitioner

The petitioner set forth in his petition that Captain **JOHN AVERY**, deceased, did before the petitioner was joined in marriage with **MARY [AVERY SHEPARD]** the wife of the petitioner and daughter of the said Captain **JOHN AVERY**, that he would give unto your petitioner with his daughter a certain parcel or tract of land which was late in the occupation of **THOMAS DAVIDS** together with the plantation house and premises thereunto belonging, which said land lies between the land of **JOHN DEPREE** and the land that the Widow **AVERY** now that lives upon and that the said **JOHN AVERY** did after the said marriage was solemnized give your petitioner possession of the said land and premises, and that he did declare the same when he lay app on his deathbed and proved the same by the testimony of several witnesses, the court taking the same into their consideration, and several of the members of the Court having themselves heard the said **JOHN AVERY** say that his daughter **MARY** should have the set land that Court therefore past their judgment that the land do properly belong unto the petitioner and to his heirs and assigns forever.

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