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Historical Information

The Northern Neck Land Office controlled 5,282,000 acres in land grants located between the Rappahannock and Potomac rivers, which were given to seven loyal supporters of King Charles II, including Lord Fairfax. Agents of the Northern Neck Proprietary issued the first land grant in 1690. The Proprietary operated until the death of Thomas, Sixth Lord Fairfax in 1781. For the next thirty years, however, the ownership was in dispute. Fairfax family interest was terminated in 1808 when the last surviving heir sold his title to his remaining manor to a syndicate.

Scope and Content

Proprietary papers, 1720-1793, of the Fairfax family consisting of deeds of lease, deeds of release, agreements, surveys, and plats, all for property in the Northern Neck of Virginia owned by the Fairfax family, including Prince William and Clarke Counties.

Contents List

Deed of lease, 3 June 1720, for the Northern Neck from Thomas, Lord Fairfax, and Wililam Cage to Robert Carter.

Deed of lease, dated 20 August 1742 and recorded 27 September 1742, for 26,535 acres in Prince William County from Charles Green to Thomas, Lord Fairfax.

Deed of release, dated 21 August 1742 and recorded 27 September 1742, for 26,535 acres in Prince William County from Charles and Margaret Green to Thomas, Lord Fairfax.

Deed of release, dated 21 August 1742 and recorded 27 September 1742, for certain land known as the Manor of Leeds in Prince William County from Charles and Margaret Green to Thomas, Lord Fairfax.

Agreement, 1 February 1793, between Denny Fairfax, England and James Markham Marshall, Richmond, Virginia (pages 1-5 of agreement are copies from original in LVA accession 24062).

Survey, no date, of 12 acres at Bath by Richard Rigg

Plat, no date, of certain land, Manor of Greenway Court (Clarke County), belonging to Thomas Bryan Martin.

Plat, no date, 8,840 acres, Manor of Greenway Court (Clarke County), belonging to Thomas Bryan Martin by John Baylis.