

## **RICHARD BENNETT COLLECTION**

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1716-1776

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**Scope and Content Note:** Small collection of papers referring to land transactions by Richard Bennett (1667-1749) of Queen Anne's County, for parcels of land in Kent and Cecil Counties, including Bennett's Regulation, Strandswite Stables and Terson's Neglect. A deed for three lots in Shrewsbury Towne on the Sassafras River is included. Bennett, the third Richard by that name in Maryland, was called "Poor Dick of Wye-the richest man in all His Majesty's Colonies," a merchant, ship owner, financier and one of the largest tobacco growers in Maryland. Bennett also became a patron of the Willson family; Thomas Bennett Willson III eventually married into the Smyth family of Kent County and became an owner of Trumpington on Eastern Neck near Rock Hall.

### **Box 1**

1. Transcription, Bennett's Regulation, James Hollyday, 1776
2. Indenture & Platt, Andrew Tolson, 1716. Platt, Bennett's Regulation, 1739
3. Warrant of resurvey, Buckingham, The Folly, Strandswite Stables, Fairall Dunstable, 1735
4. Bond, George Hall to Richard Bennett for part of "Terson's Neglect," 1737
5. Letter, to Richard Bennett at Wye, 1720
6. Resurvey, Richard Bennett, 1739
7. Letter, To M. Falconar from R. Bennett, 1774

### **General Terms:**

Bennett's Regulation  
Buckingham  
Cox's Purchase  
Fairall Dunstable  
Terson's Neglect

The Folly  
Strandswite Stables

**Personal Names:**

Bennett, Richard  
Cox, Benjamin  
Falconar, M  
Hall, George  
Hollyday, James  
Tolson, Andrew