APPENDIX II

THE DUKE OF YORK’S DEED FOR PENNSYLVANIA, THE TWENTY-FIRST OF AUGUST ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO

This Indenture made the One and Twentyeth Day of August In the Four and Thirtieth year of the Raigne of Our Soveraigne Lord Charles the Second by the grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith &c Annoque Domini 1682 Betweene the most Illustrious Prince His Royall Highnesse James Duke of Yorke and Albany Earle of Ulster &c of the One part And William Penn Esquire Son and Heir of Sir William Penn Knight deceased of the other part Whereas his said Royall Highness being willing and desirous that the Tract or part of land called Pensylvania hereinafter mentioned should be granted and assured unto the said William Penn and his heirs And for that purpose having signified and declared his assent thereunto the Right Honourable the Lords of the Comittee of Plantations His said Majesty by his Letters Patent under the Great Seal of England bearing date the Fourth day of March in the Three and Thirtyeth yeare of his Raigne for the Considerations therein mentioned Did Grant unto the said William Penn and his heirs All that Tract or part of land in America with the Islands therein contained and thereunto belonging as the same is bounded and described in and by the said Letters Patent and therein called Pensylvania Together with several Royalties Franchizes Jurisdictions and Priviledges therein contained And Whereas in Consideration of Five Shillings and for the Considerations hereinafter mentioned his said Royall Highness is willing and pleased to Con firme and make any further Assurance of the said Tract of Land and Premisses unto the said William Penn and his heirs Now therefore this Indenture W齿neseth That his said Royall Highness out of a speciall regard to the memory and many faithfull and eminent Services heretofore performed by the said Sir William Penn to his said Majestie
and Royall Highness And for the better encouraging him the said William Penn to proceed in the Cultivating and improveing the said Tract of Ground and Islands therein and thereunto belonging and reduceng the Savage and Barbarous Natives thereof to Civility And for the Good will which his said Royall Highness hath and beareth to the said William Penn and for other good causes and Considerations Hath Remised Released and for ever quitt claymed and by these presents doth for him and his heirs Remise Release and for ever quitt clayme unto the said William Penn (in his peaceable possession now being) his heirs and assignes All the estate right title interest rents services duties payments property clayme and demand whatsoever of his said Royall Highness of into or out of the said Tract of Land and all and Singular other the Lands Islands Tenements hereditaments and other things comprized in the said recited Letters Patents and within the Bounds and Limitts therein mentioned To have and to hold the said Tract of Land Rents services hereditaments and premisses unto the said William Penn and his heires To the onely use and Benfitt of the said William Penn his heires and assignes for ever

In Witness whereof his said Royall Highness hath to these Presents sett his Hand and Seale the day and yeare first above written.

James

Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of

J. Werden
George Mann

P.H.M.C., Archives, Basic Documents, No. 3; Printed in Pa. Arch., Eighth Series, I, lxiv-lxv; H.S.P., Penn Manuscripts, Vol. 8, f. 5, is a rough draft, undated, with an additional paragraph and no ending.