

TEXT OF THE DUTCH PATENT GRANTING THE LAND OF
'AWIEHAKEN' TO MARYN ADRIAENSEN

MAY 11, 1647

We William Kieft the Director-General and the Council in the behalf of the High and Mighty Lords, the States General of the United Netherlands, his Highness (the Prince) of Orange and the Noble Lords, the Managers of the Incorporated West India Company in New Netherland residing, by these presents do publish and declare that we on this day of the date underwritten have given and granted unto Maryn Adriaensen a certain piece of land known by the name of Awiehaken, situated on the West side of the North River, bounded on the North by the Kil of Hoboken and from thence North to the next Kil and with the same breadth into the woods till containing 50 Morgens of land: with the express condition and terms that the said Maryn Adriaensen or they who by virtue of these presents to this action may hereafter succeed, shall acknowledge the noble Lords the managers aforesaid as his Lords and Patroons under the sovereignty of the High and Mighty Lords the States General, and unto their Director and Council here, shall in all things be conformed as all good inhabitants are in duty bound: Provided also that he shall be further subject to all such burdens and imposts as already by the Noble Lords have been enacted, or such as may yet hereafter be enacted, constituting therefore the said Maryn Adriaensen in our stead in the real and actual possession of the aforesaid piece of land, giving unto him by these presents the full right, authority and special license, the aforesaid land to enter, cultivate, inhabit and occupy in like manner as he may lawfully do so with other his patrimonial lands and effects, without our the Grantor's in the quality as aforesaid thereunto any longer having reserving or saving any part, action or control whatever, but to the behoof as aforesaid from all desisting from this time forth and forever more.

Promising moreover this Transport firmly, inviolably and irrevocably to maintain fulfill and execute, and finally to do all that in equity we are bound to do. Witness these presents by us undersigned and confirmed with our Seal. Done in the Fort New Amsterdam in New Netherland this 11th day of May A.D. 1647.

WILLIAM KIEFT.

By the order of the Noble Lords, the Director General and the Council of New Netherland.

CORNELIS VAN TIENHOVEN, SECY.

Source:

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